

BIG "ETH'OPIA" TOMORROW NIGHT

Of Especial Local Interest Because for Shriners' Band and Patrol Benefit.

BEST HOME TALENT ENTERTAINMENT EVER PRODUCED

In Hopkins County—Earlington Shriners' Band Will Parade Tomorrow Afternoon.

The entertainment "Eth'opia," which was produced at Madisonville Tuesday night and will be put on here at Temple Theater Friday night, for the benefit of the Shriners' patrol and band, is of especial interest to the people of Earlington, for the reason that the Shriners' Band, under leadership of Dan M. Evans, is composed entirely of Earlington talent and the Patrol has several members from among the enthusiastic Earlington members of Ritzpah Temple. And especially, also, are Earlington folks interested in this entertainment because it is delightful and refreshing, with musical numbers and acting throughout.

The Madisonville papers speak in high terms of the show as it was put on there, one of the special features being a stunt by an Earlington man, Frank D. Rash, who sang an Irish song entitled "Mumbo Jumbo Jijiboo of J. O'Shea," in a manner to bring a vigorous encore. It was desired by the management in the first place that a number of Earlington people take part and, in fact, a number of them were put in the original cast, including Mrs. W. S. McGary, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. R. Rash, Dr. A. C. Sisk, H. L. Browning, Dr. W. K. Nisbet, E. J. Phillips. But these all had to decline because it was impractical for them to attend rehearsals night after night at Madisonville, as would have been necessary.

The show is declared, by those who saw it, to be the best home talent entertainment ever witnessed at Madisonville, and will no doubt be given a large hearing here. The cast includes the very best Madisonville talent. The advance sale of reserved seats began several days ago and has progressed encouragingly.

One feature that Madisonville did not witness, but that will be put on here, is a tumbling and acrobatic stunt by members of the Earlington Athletic Club, Messrs. Billy Fugate, Carl Umstead, Tommy Featherstone and Robert Featherstone. The boys are always good and always popular with Earlington audiences, in this sort of work, and they have been putting in some good ticks just now getting ready for this event.

The Shriners' band will appear in public with music and parade Friday afternoon at one o'clock.

The program for the entertainment follows:

ETH'OPIA.

The Mystic Shriner's big entertainment to be presented at the Temple Theatre, Friday night, Dec. 10th. Full program and cast. Scene I.—Lipscomb's Plantation Home near Decatur, Ala. Selection, Piano.....Mrs. Willard Opening Chorus—Entire Cast, introducing the negroes from the quarters in the Plantation Minstrel Scene.

Cast of Characters.

Col. Lipscomb.....Mr. D. W. Gatin Mrs. Lipscomb.....Mrs. G. F. Brown Susie Lipscomb.....Miss Mayme Wooten Ralph Dickson.....Morton McPherson Nell Lipscomb.....Elizabeth Sybert Nora Lipscomb.....Ruth Taylor Edna.....Mrs. D. H. Kuchel

Pete.....Mr. G. A. Parker

Negroes From the Quarters.

Andrew Jackson.....Mr. John Sugg Ned Clayton.....Mr. Frank D. Rash William Ingram..... Mr. Gardiner Shanks Daniel Webster.....Dr. L. M. Bruce John Harris.....Dr. Robt. Sory Stephen Lee.....Mr. James Franceway Wheeler Peckham..... Mr. Ernest Dunkerson

The Picaninies.

Geo. Washington Loafer..... Warren Bernard Rastus Sleepyhead.....Mark Teague Lincoln Slowboy.....Henry B. Walker Nicodemus Hindtime.....Wm. Shanks Jackson Lazybones..... William Kirkwood Josephus Goeasy.....Hubert Walker Daniel Donothing.....Dwight Townes Webster Quitwork.....Virgil Shanks Ephraim Resteasy.....Wm. Robinson Musical Numbers Introduced in Scene I. "Sleepy Head," "Sunbonnet Sue," "Pay More Attention to Me," "Alabama," "What a Time," "Good Night Little Girl," "My Dark Town Belle," "Out Where the Breakers Roar," "I Am Certainly Feelin' Bad," "Rings and Bells."

Visitors From Memphis.

Misses Pearl Carmack, Gertrude and Frances Overall, Elizabeth Nisbet, Mary Louise Walker, Frances Elgin, Zona Shanks, Lillian Gibson, Laura Bell Rudd, Kathryn Wilson, Esmer Warner, Agnes Bailey, Hazel Fawcett. Messrs. Paul Livingston, Flint Overall, Arthur Williams, W. B. Bondurant, W. C. McLeod, Dr. J. E. Taylor. High Tide at Gettysburg. Time: Evening.

Cuddle up a Little Closer.

Miss Mayme Wooten—Soloist—Representing the seven ages of cuddling Mother, Soldier, Dr. E. B. Harding; Quarreling boy and girl, Elizabeth Bassett and John G. Morton. Children—Master Frank Brown, Jr. and Maude Mason Jennings; Baby, Mary Catherine Sybert; nurse by herself; Sweethearts, Ruth Taylor, Elizabeth Sybert, Col. and Mrs. Lipscomb and Chorus of visitors.

Lantern Drill.

Ruth Swinney, Nannie Lamb, Josephine Clark, Mary Arden Jennings, Lizzie Belle Langley, Katherine Givens, Jane Lamb, Maude Kirkwood, Ruth Lamb, Amanda Wilson. Yama Yama Man.....Picaninies

Shriners' Patrol.

Major Walter Powers, Captain; Nobles, J. R. O'Bryan, W. J. Lamb, C. S. Williams, C. O. Osborn, Dr. J. E. Taylor, Floyd Franklin, Otto Fowler, Dr. J. D. Sory, W. J. Tapp, Rankin Eastin.

Tell Us, Pretty Ladies.

Misses Lucy Fawcett, Margaret McPherson, Metabeth Sory, Messrs. Clarence Givens, Robert Meisberg, Woodson Browning, Goody Goody Girls.....

Neil & Nora Lipscomb

The Captain Willie Brown's Messrs. Wm. Ross, Glenn Eudale, Harry Taliaferro, Rupert Swinney, Montgomery Holman, James Bearden. Solo—"Neath The Old Palm Tree" Mrs. G. F. Brown Chorus by Entire Company. Southern Melodies and "Dixie" with full Chorus.

SEIZE 80 PINTS OF WHISKY

Police at Mayfield Make Good Haul On Train and Owner Slips.

Mayfield, Ky., Nov. 30.—The biggest haul that Chief of Police McNutt and his men have made for some time was when they seized two large sacks from a night passenger train from Paducah. The sacks contained 80 pints of bottled in bond whisky. No one claimed the whisky as the owner got a glimpse of the officers before the train stopped and skidded.

Mrs. Willson Returns to Her Home in Frankfort.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 4.—Greatly improved in health, Mrs. Augustus E. Willson returned to her home in the city, following an operation upon her arm and shoulder in a New York hospital.

FORESTRY ON LARGE SCALE

100,000 Locusts and 20,000 Catalpa Speciosa Received Here This Week.

Will be Added to the Already Large St. Bernard Young Forest Plantations.

Locust and catalpa trees by the carload. That sounds large, but a carload of one-year-old locust and catalpa speciosa trees were received here this week, shipped here on the order of Mr. John B. Atkinson, president of the St. Bernard Mining Company, to be planted on lands of his company. The trees numbered 100,000 locust and 20,000 catalpa and were unloaded and heeled up, to be planted late in the winter or in the early spring, when conditions will permit. When these trees are planted the total number of young locusts planted on the St. Bernard lands will be 300,000 and the total number of catalpa speciosa will be 180,000. There will be some 330 acres in locust and 250 acres in catalpa. Mr. Atkinson plans to put these trees in close planting, about 2,000 to the acre. It is probable that some 30,000 locusts will be planted in Webster county on the Shamrock property and the remaining 70,000 in the neighborhood of Earlington. There are growing on the company's lands now a million and a quarter of black walnut trees, the planting of which began twenty years ago. These young forests are being increased annually on a large scale. In addition, Mr. Atkinson has put out some 400 more tulip trees this fall on the company property. He is also promoting forestry in New Jersey by planting locust, catalpa, tulip, cypress and black walnut on his farm in Burlington county, that state. He sent this year from Kentucky to his New Jersey farm 1000 tulip trees, and has planted there this year 3000 locusts.

CHOSEN FOR SWITZERLAND POST

Judge William H. Holt, of Louisville, Stated as Minister.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 6.—Private advices from Washington are that the Kentucky senators and representatives have agreed on Judge William H. Holt, of Louisville, as minister to Switzerland—Kentucky's portion of diplomatic patronage. Judge Holt's nomination will be sent to the Senate this week, it is said, and Secretary of State Knox is pleased with the selection of the noted jurist, who is a former chief justice of the Kentucky court of appeals and former United States judge at Porto Rico.

If named, Judge Holt will succeed Brutus J. Clay, of Richmond, Ky.

WILD DOGS IN THE BLUE GRASS

Decimate Poultry Yards and Recruit From Domesticated Curs.

Danville, Ky., Dec. 4.—Wild dogs made another raid on Danville last night. Poultry yards were entered and ducks and hens were torn to pieces by the ravenous curs. The citizens are preparing for a general warfare. The pack has been greatly increased since its last raid, many domesticated dogs having joined the ranks of the wild ones from the knoblands lying to the south east.

SCHOOL VISITORS ARE INCREASING

Gratifying Increase in Calls by Parents at Earlington Graded School.

Holidays Will Begin Wednesday Evening, Before Christmas Day.

The number of visitors to the Earlington Graded School has lately been increasing in gratifying manner. A number of parents are reported as having called recently to be present at morning exercises or to witness the work done in classes, especially in the lower grades. Attendance is holding up very well and the work is being brought up nicely. The teachers are always glad to welcome any parents and such visits help and encourage the children in their efforts, just to know their parents are that much interested in their progress. The Christmas holidays will begin with the close of the afternoon session on Wednesday, December 22nd, and school will be resumed Monday, January 3rd. Misses Willis, Kemp and Murrell will probably all leave for their homes on the day school adjourns, to spend the holidays with their people. The term end examinations will not come until after the first of the New Year. It might be well for parents to remember that premiums are to be given the children in each grade, who have the best record of attendance and deportment at the close of the first half-year, and they are asked to encourage their children to make the very best efforts not only their studies but in deportment and prompt attendance at every session of the school.

Roll of Honor.

Grade I, Miss Mothershead, teacher.—Mary Lou Ashby, 91; Bessie May Bramwell, 92; Geo. T. Baldwin, 93; Cecil Barnett, 93; Le Roy Clark, 90; Elma Adecock, 93; Herman Howell, 92; Edna Lamb, 90; Emma Lee Todd, 91; Edward Warren, 90.

Grade II, Miss Willis, teacher.—Dorothy Bramwell, 91; Goldie Brown, 90; Arthur Robertson, 90.

Grade III, Miss Sisk, teacher.—Bertha Adams, 92; Eva Blacklock, 94; Paul Clark, 90; Dorothy Corbitt, 92; Mamie Fenwick, 98; Violet Goldsmith, 95; Ella Phelps, 92; Lelia May Todd, 94; Thelma West, 96; Dorothy Wilks, 97; Daphne McCord, 90.

Grade IV, Miss McGary, teacher.—Nellie Willis, 90; Elith Patterson, 92.

Grade V, Misses McGary and Murrell, teachers.—Thelma Patterson, 96; Pinkney Willis, 94; Edwin McGary, 90.

Grade VI, Miss Murrell, teacher.—None.

Grades VII and VIII, Miss Kemp, teacher.—Olive Cobb, 92; Mary Brown, 96; Fern Stokes, 94; Farria Shaw, 95; Ernest Oldham, 91; Willie Craig, 96; Sallie Henify, 97; Porter Willis, 90.

Grade IX, R. Y. Maxey, teacher.—Cornelia Fenwick, 91; Kress Sisk, 92.

Kentucky to the Front.

Oak lumber manufacture now centers in Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee. Wisconsin comes first in the production of hemlock, taking the position held by Pennsylvania for so many years. Altogether the lumber report ballistics, which is free, by the way, contains fifty-seven pages, and gives de-

tailed figures upon the quality and value of 45 kinds of lumber manufactured in the United States last year. The work on it was conducted under the supervision of a committee of four, consisting of W. M. Steuart, chief statistician for manufactures, and J. E. Wheelcol, expert chief of division, representing the Bureau of the Census, and R. S. Kellogg, assistant, representing the United States Forest service.

ARMY AND NAVY MAY

SOON BE "OSLERIZED"

Secretary Dickinson and Secretary Meyer Want Younger Men in the Responsible Positions.

Washington, Dec. 4.—An "Oslerization" campaign in both the army and navy has been inaugurated. Not only have both Secretary Dickinson of the War Department and Secretary Meyer of the Navy Department announced in their annual reports that the time has arrived to put younger men at the top of the armed organizations of the country, but they have already set to work to put their ideas into practice. The reform in the navy is made easier by the general reorganization there.

Noah's Ark Restored.

One of the most curious and interesting undertakings in years has been completed in Denmark—the building of a vessel modelled upon the lines of Noah's ark as described in Genesis. The vessel as built is thirty feet long, five feet wide, and three feet deep—these measurements being one-tenth of those given in the Bible. When launched the ship, to the surprise of the builder, proved very seaworthy.

In this connection attention has been called to a work by Herr von Ithring, *The Evolution of the Aryan*, in which he maintains that the Babylonians at a very early date had a sea-borne commerce; that Noah's ship was a seagoing vessel, and that, as recorded in the Babylonian annals, it was driven by a storm wave up the valley of the Tigris and Euphrates and lodged among the mountains. It appeared also that the Babylonian sailors were accustomed always to keep doves on board their vessels, which they were in the habit of releasing when they wished to learn the distance and direction of land.

NATION PROSPERING NOW

John Kirby, Jr., Compiles Reports Showing Improved Industrial Conditions Throughout Country.

New York, Dec. 6.—That industrial prosperity rules throughout the United States and that the business men of the country expect it to continue is shown in reports from 3,000 representative firms, compiled by the National Association of Manufacturers and made public here today. John Kirby, Jr., president of the association, sums up the result of the reports received.

"It is quite within the bounds of conservatism to say that today, practically two years after our so-called panic, the country has reached a condition of normal prosperity," he says. "By normal prosperity is meant to be understood a satisfactory state of manufacturing, selling and collections. This statement is not based upon unsupported optimism, but upon a such unflinching trade barometers as the agricultural output, bank clearings, manufacturing, movement of freight and other well-known indications."

SWANN FOUND UNCONSCIOUS

Former Earlington Man on Street Car Track at Owensboro.

THOUGHT TO HAVE BEEN ROBBED AND PUT ON TRACK.

Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 4.—Was J. T. Swann, of Earlington, Ky., robbed and then placed on the street car track to be killed by a passing car or did he have an epileptic fit. This is the question the police and physicians are attempting to solve, as the result of the finding of Swann on the street car track on West Second street last night.

With a 50 cent piece, a key ring and his hat lying near him, Swann was found near Jack Lancaster's grocery with his head lying on the street car rail. When found he was unconscious and was in danger of being run over by a car, and was suffering from a blow on the head which it is thought caused concussion of the brain.

He was found by some men who were passing down the street and seeing and object lying on the rail made an investigation, finding the body of Swann. The police was notified and upon arriving at the scene found Swann had been struck a terrific blow, or had fallen striking his head against some hard substance, as the blood was issuing from his nose and he was unconscious. He was taken to the city hospital.

Swann is a middle aged man, of good appearance, and the indications are that he was struck on the head with some substance and robbed, and later placed on the street car track to avert suspicion. The finding of the 50-cent piece on the ground near by lead the officers to believe that the "thug" in his hurry dropped the money with the key ring and did not take time to regain it. Swann's hat, which was also lying close by had been run over by a buggy and he would probably have been killed by a car but for the timely arrival of the passersby.

Swann is a son-in-law of A. G. Draper and has been at work for Farnsworth and Rootz in Owensboro for some time.

NEW RECEIPT FOR OLD AGE.

John Kipp, Who is 103 Years Old Today, Tell How to Achieve Longevity, Maybe.

Washington, N. J., Dec. 6.—Plenty of peppermint candy is the recipe for longevity given by John Kipp, who is celebrating his one hundred and third birthday here today. Mr. Kipp, who is still active in body and mind despite his advanced age, attributes his long life and excellent health to the fact that he has used tobacco and intoxicants sparingly and has eaten little meat, but has consumed a quantity of peppermint candy at every meal from his early childhood.

Fifty Escape From Sinking Boat.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 6.—The steamer Park City, plying in the Kentucky river trade between Louisville and Valley View, sank early today near Glen Mary, Ky. The crew of fifteen with about thirty-five negro roustabouts, escaped but the boat is a total loss. There were no passengers on board.

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Local Happenings

Fancy Calendar Pads at THE BEE office.

J. M. Kestner was in the county seat Monday on business.

E. B. Taylor, of the Hustler force, was in the city Saturday.

A nice line of Christmas and New Year post cards at THE BEE.

Ramsey Bainbridge, of THE BEE force, is on the sick list this week.

Maloney Pressing Club has moved to the Robinson store on the corner.

Juo. Hankins, of Madisonville, was in the city Monday on business.

Juo. Coyle has had a new barber sign made in front of his barber shop.

All tee stores in the city are full of toys and ready for a large Xmas trade.

Christmas Tags, Seals, Stickers and wrapping paper at THE BEE office.

M. H. Tappan has one of the nicest window displays ever seen in this city.

Rev. J. M. Burton filled his regular appointment in Ohio county last week.

Jap McGregor, of the country near here, was in the city on business Monday.

Dr. W. K. Nesbit and W. A. Randolph were in the county seat Monday on business.

Workman Marsh of the A. O. W. W. Lodge, made Hopkins No. 51 a visit last week.

The strong wind Sunday evening blew down the large smoke stack of M. Hanna's foundry.

Miss Mabel Browning returned to Hopkinsville Monday, where she is attending McLean College.

Jas. Maloney, the general manager of the Grand Leader, spent Sunday with his parents in Providence.

The small fire on Methodist hill Saturday morning, caused by a lamp turning over, caused but small loss.

The polo game between the Local team and Madisonville was 1 to 0, when a squabble arose and it was not finished.

The Louisville Herald of Sunday 5th, had a page write up of Milton H. Smith, President of the L. & N. R. R. Co.

Billie Fugate, Tom Featherstone and Compton Umstead will entertain the audience Friday night by a tumbling act.

Services at the M. E. Church Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Sunday School 9:30 a. m. Epworth League 6:45 p. m.

If you want a neat looking Christmas package get your wrapping paper, twine, stickers and seals from THE BEE.

J. W. Veasy wishes to thank the Ladies Aid Society, of the Christian church, for their kindness shown him after the fire last week.

M. H. Tappan, the enterprising Jeweler, will entertain the Ladies every afternoon during Xmas week with a concert by the celebrated Victor phonograph.

One Dose for Coughs

Children cough at night? Give them Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Often a single dose at bedtime will completely control the cough. Good for any one with a cold or cough. Good for easy cases, hard cases; good for acute cases, chronic cases. Ask your doctor to tell you, honestly and frankly, just what he thinks of this old standard remedy. No alcohol in this cough medicine. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

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The Moving Throng

Mrs. S. M. Kemp was in Madisonville Tuesday.

Jno. Bonham, of Kent, Ark., is visiting in the city.

Cleo Maloney visited relatives in Providence Sunday.

S. D. Bradley, of Greenville, was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. W. H. Leahy was in the county seat Saturday.

Mr. G. E. Bourland, of Crofton, was in the city Tuesday.

Miss Janie Victory visited friends in Madisonville Saturday.

Carl Woolfork spent Sunday with his father in Madisonville.

D. E. Lynn made relatives in Madisonville a visit Monday.

Miss Jennie McGary made friends in Madisonville a visit Monday.

Mrs. Jno. Griffin was in Madisonville, Saturday visiting friends.

Mrs. Ernest Eastwood, of Morganfield, was in the city last week.

Mrs. Julia Sisk, mother of Frank Sisk, is visiting relatives in Paducah.

Robt. Jackson, of Madisonville, was in town Monday visiting friends.

Miss Mamie Craig, of Madisonville, was in the city Sunday visiting friends.

Mrs. A. M. Howell and daughter, Edith, visited friends in Madisonville Monday.

H. H. Holman and Geo. W. Rasm, of Madisonville, were in the city Saturday.

H. S. Corey left Tuesday night for a visit to the Pan Handle district in Texas.

Messames O. P. Webb, and Cecil Webb made friends in Madisonville a visit Monday.

Mrs. R. Edwin Brooks left Monday for Paris, Tenn., to visit her brother, Dr. E. A. Davis.

Rev. H. H. Moore and wife left Monday for Norfolk, Va., for a month's vacation.

Joe Hogan and wife, of Salt Lake City, Utah, who have been visiting Mr. Hogan's mother, have returned home.

FIRST AID GIVEN BY MINER TO A BROKEN LEG

Joe Egloff in St. Bernard Mine Uses Appliances for Aid of Injured.

Joe Egloff has shown that the thing is practical and is said to have given promptly and in good form first aid to an injured mine worker who suffered a broken leg in one of the St. Bernard mines quite recently. Joe put on the splints and bandages in very good shape, so that the injured man was saved much suffering while being taken home and was in good condition for the surgeons to handle when they reached him. Boxes containing splints, bandages and other simple "first aid" appliances, placed here and there through the mines, are a part of the regular equipment of the St. Bernard group of mines, and their contents are frequently brought into use in case of slight injuries. Their successful application on the spot in the case of a broken leg proves again and forcibly the efficacy of these first aid stations.

CHURCH OF 30 DIALECTS.

Italians, Poles, Hungarians, Bohemians, Greeks, Russians and Chinese Celebrate.

New York, Dec. 6.—The centennial of one of the New York's oldest and most remarkable East Side churches—the Second Avenue Baptist—is being celebrated here this week. The church, located in the heart of New York's foreign district, has been described as "a congregation of thirty languages," and the services throughout this week will be conducted in nearly a score of different tongues. At last night's services there were ten five-minute sermons, each in a different language. The congregation is made up principally of Italians, Poles, Hungarians, Bohemians, Greeks, Russians and Chinamen.

Providing for the Future.

More than 3,000 camphor trees have been set out in Florida.

SOME IDEAS FOR DECORATIONS

How to Make the Home Look Bright and Cheerful for the Holidays.

In massing holly for use on the Christmas table it repays one to wipe off the leaves with a cloth dipped in a very little olive oil, says the Housekeeper. Tall candles should light the feast and the holly leaves reflect the twinkling lights in a beautiful manner. If a chandelier hangs over the dining table a feature which will delight the children is to have a nosegay of artificial flowers suspended from the chandelier to within a foot of the table by means of a red ribbon. This bouquet should have the paper puff of the old-time fashion, and the bouquet itself will be found to be a shower bouquet, one small nosegay for each person, in the depths of which some trifling gift is hidden.

Snowballs of cotton, tightly wound with white ribbon, also conceal gifts most attractively, while the cheap but pretty little Santa Claus candy boxes, for sale at favor shops, are effective upon the Christmas table, and will hold quite a good-sized package, or, of course, may be used to hold the bonbons for which they are intended. For a luncheon or high tea during Christmas week, a beautiful table may be set by employing the use of green linen runners embroidered in white. A holly bell or a bunch of red carnations in a cut-glass vase will touch the center of the table to brilliancy and soft garlands of southern moss may lightly edge the linen runners, or doilies if they be used instead.

The colonial glass candlesticks are still in favor, and nothing is more attractive in a country house. With tall green or red tapers, a group of these candlesticks placed in a mass of holly as a centerpiece is both appropriate and beautiful.

A quaint little Christmas tree may be used as a centerpiece by procuring at the florist's a little "pepper plant," which has lovely green leaves and red berries. Wound with glittering tinsel and tied with candied fruits held in place with wee baby ribbons, or hung with little favors of French jewelry or articles of trifling worth, the little tree makes a centerpiece of charm.

"THE PRINCE OF PEACE"

His Wonderful Influence Continues and Widens Through the World.

All the old troublous questions of the origin and destination of the Gallie Carpenter have passed, notes a writer in Collier's. All the mediaeval worriment in discriminating between human and divine has gone, all the puzzled inquiry into the miraculous. No longer is mankind stirred over the non-essential. Theories of him fade away, dogmas of his nature lose their charm. His gentleness has conquered. His influence continues and widens. Slowly brightening the gleam that touched him spreads through the world. His spirit moves on the face of civilization, and makes it kinder every generation. The touch of his hand is on the grief-stricken. Nurse, physician, and nun are the messengers of his teaching. The vestal fires burned out, but never the fires of his spirit, which answer each other from mountain-top to mountain-top across the continents. And deep in the heart of the people they make family life sweeter and ease the bitterness of failure and ignorance and all life's incompleteness. That wonder-working personality was never so potent as today—so insistent and tenderly sure. Under a thousand forms, creeds and names, men serve him. And however far we go in the conquest of nature, identifying the north pole, climbing the sky, prying open electrical forces, mapping out the subliminal, diminishing sin, disease, war, poverty, ignorance—always in the advance will be that gracious figure of the Sinless One, who showed Love as the rule of life. One Perfect Man—ardent and gentle—the race will never tire of him.

BY SIZES

One pair of socks at so much more than a dozen—LIFE.

Origin of "The Prince of Peace."

It is believed by many that the story of a young girl's life, which comes from an old custom of giving a box of gifts to the poor on Christmas-time, and which is now the giving of gifts, and it was called a "Christ Mass" box. But it has come our custom of giving boxes and gifts.

The Man in the Moon.

Russian folk-lore tells that the man in the moon was one who was seeking the life in which there is no death. At last, after traveling far, he found the longed-for haven and took up his abode in the moon. After a hundred years had passed, death called for him one Christmas eve and a fierce struggle ensued with the moon, who was victorious, and so the man stayed where he was.

THE HIGH ART STORE

A FRIENDLY "TIP."

CHRISTMAS IS WITHIN HAILING DISTANCE. THE WISE SHOP EARLY—THE LATE GET LEFT.

It's up to you to join the ranks of one or the other—fully half of our holiday business last year was done in territory distant from Evansville, the bulk being in person, while the remainder was by mail. We pleased you last year, we'd be pleased to please you again this whether we deal with you in person or by mail. The lines are more extensive, the assortments larger and styles more varied. The useful and ornamental include:

Suits and Overcoats for all uses, \$10 to \$15.

Trousers, plain, fancy and dress, \$2 to \$5.

Fancy Vests, wash and woollens, \$1.50 to \$5.50.

Men's fine Hats from the best makes, \$2 to \$5.

Men's fine Shoes, Hagan's and others, \$2.50 to \$5.

Then there are Smoking Jackets, House Coats, Lounging and Bath Robes, Slippers, Dress and Fancy Shirts, Neckwear, Mufflers, Fancy Hosiery, Suspenders, Underwear, Pajamas, Handkerchiefs, Sweater Vests, Umbrellas, Canes. Those that can be boxed are boxed. We also show combination boxes, such as sock, tie and handkerchief set—nicely boxed, say at \$1.00 to \$2.50. Many order these by mail.

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MINING NOTES.

GOVERNMENT TESTS OF EXPLOSIVES

Work to Diminish the Miner's Death Roll.

Explosives prepared for use in mines are now tested by the United States Geological Survey, which during the present year has published two lists of "permissible explosives," with directions for their use. These tests were made by Government experts at the Surveys station in Pittsburgh, where work designed to prevent mine accidents is now carried on.

A Primer on Explosives

The Survey has now in press as Bulletin 423 "A primer on explosives for coal miners," whose purpose is to state in simple language how and of what materials explosives are made, what danger attend their handling and use, and how such dangers may be avoided or lessened. This bulletin is issued primarily on behalf of the miner, in the hope that the reading of it will lead to a better knowledge of what to do and what, not to do with explosives; and so tend to reduce the number of deaths caused by their use.

Instructions to Miners

The primer contains a simple statement of the underlying principles of combustion and explosion and of the mode of action of the ordinary components of explosives, with a description of the explosives most commonly used. The work of Pittsburgh testing station is explained, and the list of "permissible explosives," which have successfully met the tests, is given. Detailed instructions are presented for the care and use of such explosives in coal mines. One section treats of squibs, fuses, and detonators, another of the loading and firing of charges, and another of the methods of firing blasts by electricity. Other sections deal with the use of explosives in sinking shafts and blasting rock and dirt, and the safe shipment and storage of explosives. The paper contains numerous illustrations that help to make the meaning clear.

The bulletin will be ready for distribution by Dec. 20, and may be obtained by applying to the Director of the Survey at Washington.

Geo. W. Purcell, former labor organizer for the U. M. W. of A., who was shot at Linton, Ind., on Nov. 27th by Taylor Suttles, in a quarrel which was said to have been caused by Purcell demanding that Suttles sell him a drink, has since died. Purcell some years ago figured in union move-

ments among the mines of Western Kentucky, coming into this territory in the first place under the alias of "Jones." His activities in this section were attended with failure.

Thos. O. Long, Assistant Mine Inspector, is in Webster county this week looking through the mines in that territory.

Thos. N. Black, of the Shamrock mines, was in the city Tuesday.

COLORED COLUMN.

S. R. DRIVER, EDITOR

In spite of the inclement weather all the churches carried on their usual program.

Report of Condolence

Report of condolence on Sister Kittle Johnson, of Household of Ruth, No. 337, Earlington Ky., was the committee on condolence, after conferring with the friends of Sister Kittle Johnson, beg leave to make our report:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to remove our Sister by the hand of the foul murderer, and

Whereas, It is our hope that the person or persons who committed the deed will be overtaken and dealt with according to law. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we will do all in our power to aid the law in every honorable way to carry out what should be its end.

Resolved, That we will extend our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy, and that her name be spread upon our minutes as a memorial to our departed member.

Resolved, That our loss is her eternal gain, and that she has gone from labor to reward and that we will ever cherish her memory. That we may be ready to enter that Grand Household prepared for them who love and trust Him.

Resolved, That we wear the usual badge of mourning and the hall be draped for 30 days.

Miss E. B. Hawkins,
Miss Mary Moore,
Miss L. B. Cavanaugh,
Committee.

We learn as we go to press of the death of Ben Wimbley, who died near Dover Sunday morning. He was a member of the K. of P's. of this city in good standing. Several of the brothers went down to assist at his last obsequies.

Fairest Temple, No. 48, U. B. F., elected Mrs. L. B. Cavanaugh, W. P., Blanche Driver, Secretary, Lizzie Renfro, Assistant Secretary. The rest of the officers will be elected at the next meeting.

Sisters of the Household of Ruth, No. 337, G. U. O. F., at its last regular meeting, elected the following annual officers: Mrs. E. B. Hawkins, W. Records, Mrs. Hattie Gray, W. Treas., Mrs. Eliza Lee, W. Prelate, S. R. Driver, W. C., Mrs. John Phillips, Mrs. Millie Earls and Nannie King, Trustees.

Humphrey Woodson was quietly married last week.

Mrs. Huldah Berbe and Mrs. Eddie Hiner were called to Crofton to attend the funeral of their sister last week.

Miss Willie Morton, of Indianapolis, Ind., is visiting Mrs. Bessie Forte.

Mrs. Joe Williamson is quite ill at this writing.

John Leech is able to be out again.

Solomon Anderson is quite sick again.

Ye editor is recovering and hopes to go to work on Monday.

Rev. H. Amos was able to attend his church on Sunday and while en route home was stopped to attend the funeral of Ben Wimbley at Guthrie.

Mrs. Irvin Holt has gone to Collico to visit her mother who is very sick.

Telling Age of a Fish.

The age of a fish can be determined with accuracy by inspection of the otoliths or bony concretions which are found in the auditory apparatus. These otoliths increase in size during the entire life of the fish, each year adding two layers, a light colored layer formed in summer and a dark layer formed in autumn and winter.

The alternate layers are sharply contrasted and very distinct, so that there is no difficulty in counting them. The number of pairs of layers is equal to the number of years the fish has lived. By this method Wallace has made an interesting study of the distribution of fishes of the place species over various sea bottoms, according to age. In this way the rapidity of growth of fishes and the effect of fisheries on the population of the sea can be determined.—Scientific American.

Locomotive Blasts.

Fireless Locomotives.

Fireless stoves and cookers have become familiar conveniences, but the suggestion of a fireless locomotive, not run by electricity, is one that will be surprising to many. And yet such a locomotive has been invented in Germany and put into practical service. This locomotive is described by the New York Herald as follows:

The machine resembles the ordinary type minus the fire box, funnel and like attachments. It is not suited for uninterrupted railway service, but must keep near the source of supply, the boiler of some local station. At this station the tank of the locomotive is filled with steam, and on this steam supply the machine is run for four or five hours, doing ordinary switching work. It is really an accumulator engine, the necessary power for which is supplied by a quantity of heated water.

The water supplies the steam. In default of the fire the steam development is effected at the expense of the heat contained in the water. And the engine works with a constantly decreasing power. This type of engine offers absolute safety against fire which might be caused by flying sparks. And all smoke nuisance is eliminated.

There is marked economy, since the cost of producing steam in stationary boiler plants is less than when produced by ordinary fire locomotives. The fact must not be lost sight of that only one man is required to run the engine. There are little or no repairs needed on one of these machines. Since there is no fire box the strain on the boiler is practically nil. The engine can be made ready for work at a moment's notice.

One of the largest railway locomotives in the United States arrived in Danville recently and will be operated between Danville and Oakdale on the Cincinnati Southern. The engine, known as the Mallett, weighs 350,000 pounds and is twice the size of any other engine now on the road. It is the largest locomotive in the United States South of the Ohio river.

Freight business on this division is good. Several chain gang crews were run through to Howell last week.

Sam Rainey, who for years been conductor on this division has severed his connection with the L. & N.

P. B. Stark, Road Master for

the Henderson division, was in the city Monday.

The Train Master, of the L. H. & St. L., was in the city Tuesday.

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MAN LOSES LIFE IN SAND BANK

Buried Under Cave-in While Working With Companion at Sturgis.

Sturgis, Ky., Dec. 6.—Mr. Jas. Stansberry lost his life at the West Kentucky sand bank while mining sand. The earth gave away and buried him so completely that it took nine men fifteen minutes to recover the body. Another co laborer was caught and buried to the waist but was rescued unharmed.

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Astringent and refreshing is a combination of one part of peroxide of hydrogen and nine parts of water. Mix well and after washing and drying the face spray over, taking care that none gets in the eyes or on the hair. A combination of one part of dilute acetic acid and eau de cologne with 10 parts of water makes an excellent tonic that is eventually bleaching as well as astringent. Either one of these may be sprayed over the entire body after a bath.

Australia's Waste Land.

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If one door should be shut God will open another; if the peas do not yield well the beans may; if one hen leaves her eggs another will bring out all her brood. There's a bright side to all things, and a good God everywhere. Somewhere or other in the worst flood of trouble there always is a dry spot for contentment to get its foot on, and, if there were not, it would learn to swim.—C. H. Spurgeon.

Coal Mine Accidents and Their Prevention

By J. A. Holmes

Expert in Charge Technologic Branch, United States Geological Survey.

Our coal industry in its phenomenal growth has nearly doubled during each succeeding decade of the past eight years. It has had to do more than keep pace with our increasing population, for while it supplied less than one ton of coal per capita in 1880, it has had to supply nearly six tons per capita during 1908. Its growth has been too rapid for systematic development, and the industry today represents a great host of scattered, warring, discouraged elements, without organization or co-operation.

In this industry are now employed some 600,000 miners, who worked at some 6,000 different mines, and produce yearly about 500,000,000 tons of coal.

Not only is the nation increasingly dependent upon this coal for its heat, light and power for its manufacturing industries and transportation facilities, but this coal and other mineral products now contribute in tonnage more than sixty-five per cent. of the total freight traffic of the country.

The economic conditions upon which coal mining is based in this country are fundamentally bad; and the evil consequences are so far-reaching as to both time and extent, and are so essentially national in character, that this subject demands the earnest consideration of our best statesmen, as well as our best engineers.

1. In spite of this rapid growth in our demand for coal the normal productive capacity of our coal mines under continuous operation greatly exceeds this demand;

2. Rancorous competition exists not only between the operators in the same field, but between the operators of one field as against those in another field, or in another state, where different mining laws and regulations exist;

3. This competition is first of all driving out of the business the small operators except where they find protection under local freight rates; and is forcing even the larger operator to mine coal under conditions which he cannot approve but from which he finds no escape. If he and his fellow operators endeavor to "get together" and place the price of coal at the mine on a reasonable basis they go to jail under either a federal or a state statute; and as the only alternative each must live (or succumb) by underbidding the other, which he can do only through wasteful and unsafe mining methods;

4. Even when the demand for coal and the prices are at their best, under existing conditions, the operator can mine only that part of his coal which can be taken out most cheaply and sold at higher prices; and the remainder must be left underground in such shape as may preclude its future recovery. And thus we waste yearly more than 50,000,000 tons of the nation's fuel supply;

5. The American mine owner is as humane as is the mine owner of any other country; and he would like to follow every practice and use every appliance for safety to be found in Britain, or France, or Belgium, or Germany, or elsewhere; but he pays his miners higher wages and at the same time receives for his coal at the mine less than half the price received for similar mined coal by the operator in these countries; and he must employ miners in this country, a large per-

centage of whom come to him unfamiliar either with the practices of the industry or with the language or traditions of the country;

6. And the penalty which the nation is paying for this bad system is this increasing waste of resources and the still more unpardonable increasing waste of human life—the yearly loss of 250,000,000 tons of coal and the killing or injury yearly of from 8,000 to 10,000 men.

And what are the remedies for this bad situation?

A. Investigations, such as are now being conducted by the government, as to the causes of mine explosions; and other similar investigations as to the cause of mine accidents of other kinds, and as to methods of prevention.

B. Educational work among the miners and the lower active mine officials as to those causes and remedies;

C. The training of men at each mine as to the best methods of using explosives, using electricity, handling of gases and dust, of timbering, of preventing and extinguishing mine fires; as to the methods of rescue work, and as to the methods of first-aid-to-the-injured work;

D. The development of better and more uniform mining laws, rules and regulations, based upon accurate data and experience;

E. Active, determined cooperation between the miners and the management in the State's inspectors and the enforcement of these rules and regulations with a view to the maintenance of the safest possible conditions in every mine.

The above are all parts of the program for lessening and alleviating mine accidents; but they do not complete the program. It is an essential part of this program that—

F. The rancorous competitive system upon which coal mining in the United States is based at the present time should be changed, and that the price paid for coal at the mine should be such as will permit and secure safe and efficient mining—mining unaccompanied by either this large loss of life or waste of resources—mining which can have due regard to not only the safety but also to the health and the comfort of the men who toil underground and whose labor is so essential to the welfare of the nation. All this can be done without adding appreciably to the burden of the average American citizen; without any increase in the price of coal at the poor man's cottage, and without the risk of any unreasonable restraint of trade.

There can be no permanent industry without reasonable profits. It is unjust and irrational that in this great and essential branch of industry, reasonable profits should be dependent upon any unnecessary sacrifice of human life, and unnecessary waste of resources which we can neither replace nor restore and which will be essential to the future development of the country.

This industry needs and deserves fair treatment at the hands of the American people, and upon its receipt of such treatment depends in no small degree not only the welfare of the operators—though nobody cares about them—but also the welfare of the 600,000 miners who risk their lives in supplying the fuel for the nation's industries, and the heat and light for the nation's comfort and convenience.

The Question of Soil Fertility.

(Chicago Evening Post.)

In his annual report Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson has something of deep public interest to say about what he calls the "great fundamental problem," the question of the permanency of soil fertility. The secretary's word on the subject will be reassuring in a great measure to the people of the country who feared that some of the authorities were right and that the American soil was wearing out notwithstanding the fact that the experts of the government's Bureau of Soils has held to the contrary.

In his report Secretary Wilson says: It has been found from the records kept by our own department that on the average crop yields per acre have shown a decided tendency to increase during a period of forty years, and that there is no evidence of general decrease over large areas, or in any particular state, as is popularly supposed. This indicates undoubtedly that on the average our people are farming more intelligently and therefore more successfully, and through these more intelligent methods we are winning gradually larger returns from the soil.

In his further word upon the subject Secretary Wilson says that some writers have held that even if the yields are increasing the element of danger is that the larger crops remove great amounts of plant foods from the soils and bring nearer the time when the fertility will vanish.

The Department of Agriculture has made investigations in the older countries of Europe and there it has been found, as far as records are obtainable, that as a result of increasing population and more intensive methods of cultivation the soil in spite of its longer tilling has increased its average yield per acre. It is said that the soils of northern Europe are now producing at least twice as much per acre as are the newer soils of the United States.

The European lesson seems to be convincing and final, but the caution of the Secretary of Agriculture against a disregard of the methods of intelligent cultivation should be heeded. Agriculturists everywhere are satisfied that many farmers who complain of poor crops are themselves responsible for the paucity of yield.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

CONSERVATIVE.

The message of President Taft went to Congress Tuesday. It is conservative in tone and submits a number of recommendations of importance. Financial and business interests will probably be most interested in the fact that the general subject of railroads and corporation regulation is reserved for discussion in a future message. Economy is the key note of the administration. Subject of trusts and railroad regulation to be discussed in a special communication later. Panama bond issue to cover Government deficit. Appropriations cut to the quick. Ship subsidies recommended. Postal savings banks, restriction of injunction power, and national board of health favored. Satisfactory foreign relations. No tariff war or inconsiderate revision. Department reorganization and reform advocated. The President says that there is every reason to believe that we are on the eve of a substantial business expansion. The high prices of commodities, he declares, cannot be charged against the existing protective tariff.

That's going some! The Secretary of Agriculture figures that farm products for this year are worth \$869,000,000 more than for the year 1908. The value of these products has nearly doubled in ten years. The value of the corn crop alone in the farmer's hands for 1909 is \$1,720,000,000. The farmer is doing, on the average, pretty well, thank you, taking the country over. The Secretary even has the temerity to suggest the farmer's share in these increasing values in the following words:

"There has been a tendency of the animals and crops of the farm to increase in value per unit at the farm at a faster rate than all commodities have increased at wholesale."

American coal to Argentine! The first cargo has been shipped by the steamer London Bridge. All America—that hears of the event through some daily, or even weekly, newspaper—is wishing bon voyage and many of them to this and all other coal carrying craft bound for this big agricultural region to the South.

Gov. Hughes is pondering over the necessity of a "law of the air" for the control of air machines. Now if some great and influential man would ponder upon legislation for the regulation of hot air machines and windjammers.

ST-STUFFING NOT NEW

Colonial Records Show Act Was Completed in 1656—The Punishment.

It is not necessary to give up our faith in the superior political morality of our forefathers when we learn that even in the first generation of Bostonians was found a ballot stuffer.

The same record which reveals this break records also its instant reputation and punishment. It was on the fourteenth day of January, 1656, 25 years after the settlement of Boston, according to the quaint records preserved of the king's chapel, that a referendum was held as to whether a part of the land should be alienated.

The old chronicle runs: "The inhabitants proceeded to bring in their votes; and when the Selectmen were receiving 'em at the Door of the Hall they observed one of the Inhabitants, viz. John Pigeon, to put in about a dozen with the word Yea wrote on all of 'em, being charged with so doing, he acknowledged it, and was thereupon Ordered by the Moderator to pay a Fine of Five Pounds for putting in the settlement of Boston according to the more than One Vote according to Law, and the Moderator thereupon declared to the Inhabitants that they must draw and bring in their Votes again in Manner as before directed, and the Inhabitants accordingly withdrew and the Votes being brought in and sorted it appeared that there were Four Hundred and two votes and that there was two hundred and five Yeaes and one hundred and ninety-seven Nays."—Boston Transcript.

BITTER WAS THE AWAKENING

Sleeping Owner of Millions Brought Back to Earth by Stern Yet Modest Demand.

"I dreamed last night that beginning with \$100 I pyramided my bets on the stock market so that in a little while I had \$2,000,000,000," said one of the artist colony in West-Sixty-seventh street yesterday. "A crowd of people came to me and begged me to cease speculating. They pointed out that I had more money than I could ever spend and if I kept on I would own all there was in the world. I replied that I wanted a billion dollars more for my own use and that I proposed with the two billion I already had to establish a great institution where all the artists and writers and sculptors might work free from pecuniary annoyances, and raise the standard of beauty in all the arts throughout the world. The last man who came to beg me to stop making money was my attorney. I turned a deaf ear to his entreaties and finally he sternly demanded of me the two dollars and a half that I had borrowed from him last week. Then I woke up."—New York Press.

She Lives in Louisville. A young woman whose name is—whose name is—well, if you can guess it, is something like—never mind what her name is—started everybody within a certain block on Fourth avenue the other day. She proved them that she doesn't believe in hiding her light under a bushel, especially when it is needed by the other fellow.

A car was nearing a corner, and a man was dashing madly down a cross-street in an effort to nab it before it sailed by. It looked as though he would miss it, though, and then it was that the girl placed her fingers to her lips and blew a shrill blast that Peter Pan would have delighted in, and which is given only to the chase to produce.

The car stopped. The fatigued runner clambered aboard, turning once to bow his thanks to the laughing dancer.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

CHRISTMAS COMING

HOW THE HOLIDAY IS REGARDED BY DIFFERENT PEOPLE.

It Depends Entirely on One's View-point as to What the Day Brings to Each—The Child and Paterfamilias.

"Christmas is coming!" shouts the schoolboy, flinging his cap in the air. "Turkey and pudding! Mince pie, jolly pantomimes, and parades! Hurrah for Christmas!"

"Christmas is coming," says the draper. "Turn one of our showrooms into a toy bazaar and get out the list of tickets required for the New Year's sale. What a good job Christmas has not followed in the steps of other old institutions. Thank goodness for Christmas!"

"Christmas is coming," murmurs the employee of the latter. "Hours of extra unpaid labor; bullying, sweating, hurry scurry to catch the train, then help! for home and holidays. If I only came quicker and stayed longer we should say 'Welcome Christmas!'"

"Christmas is coming," says busy mother. "There's the pudding, cakes and mince-meat to make. And the shopping there is to do! Presents for the little ones' stockings, not forgetting something warm for father to wear, and some new curtains to make the house look gay. Christmas is coming—the busiest time of all the year—and the happiest."

"Christmas is coming," muses the child, gazing dreamily into the fire. "I wonder what Santa Claus will bring me this year? Let's see, I've written out 'doll,' 'perambulator,' and 'picture book,' and all three pieces of paper went up the chimney all right—though I'm not quite sure whether I spelt 'perambulator' just right. Still, Santa Claus will understand. Oh! I do hope he'll be quick and come. Dear old Father Christmas!"

"Dear, indeed!" echoes Pater. "Thank goodness he does only come once a year, for I should soon find myself in the bankruptcy court were he a frequent visitor. No wonder the abbreviation of the word 'Christmas' starts with 'X,' for it is the period of the 'ext.' The young folk may hang their stockings, but I say hang Christmas!"

"Christmas is coming," reflects the errand boy as he dices the sprig of mistletoe to his cap. "I must be on my best behavior for the next few days, no loitering on my errands, no backwaters when I'm grumbled at, then great shall be the number of my Christmas boxes."

"Christmas is coming," sneers the dyspeptic. "The time for overfeeding and drunkenness, cheap sentiment and evergreens. Turkey and mince-meat! Ugh! the combination makes me shudder. How thankful I shall be when Christmas is gone!"

Christmas is coming," she stoops reverently over a tiny pair of shoes, a little white frock and blue sash, lying in a sacred corner of the drawer. Many Christmases ago these shoes pattered lightly hither and thither under a pair of eager, restless feet, that ribbon encircled a fairy form that danced in and out helping and hindering in a thousand ways the numerous preparations for Yuletide. A film of tears suddenly spreads over mother's eyes as she shuts the drawer and turns sharply away. Cruel Christmas! when you bring such memories as this for your gift.

Christmas Crackers. Do "plants" for making pretty gifts grow up to Christmas trees? And are "the season's greetings" sent by salt some of the seas?

Are Yule-logs cut from snowdriftwood by Yule-tide washed ashore? And could you stub a mistletoe against a parlor door?

If Eve had tried from holly-twigs a party-gown to weave, Do you suppose that Adam would have called her "Christmas Eve?"

Saint Nicholas in autoleigh defies police and laws: Do regulations as to speed contain a Santa clause?—Lippincott's.

Yule Cakes. On Christmas night, if a maiden place a piece of the Yule-cake under her pillow she will dream of her future husband. Also a portion of the cake should be kept for the next year, as it brings luck in the house. The plum pudding must always be kept and again partaken of on New Year's day if one would have a successful year.

Burning the Yule Log. The ancient Saxons burnt the yule log as a symbol of the turning of the year toward spring.

CITY DIRECTORY.

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Chief of Police—Wm. Bradley.
Night Chief—Clarence Mitchell.
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Treasurer—Frank B. Arnold.
City Physician—W. K. Nisbet.
City Engineer—F. D. Rash.
Street Commissioner—Robt. Wood.
Councilmen—Jno. B. Atkinson, Madison Oldham, H. C. Bourland, L. H. O'Brien, Geo. C. Atkinson, Thos. Blair. Meeting night first Monday night in each month.
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Postmaster—Chas. Cowell.

LODGES.

Masonic Lodge—E. W. Turner, No. 548 meets 1st and 3rd, Fridays in each month.
E. J. PHILLIPS, Sec.
Victoria Lodge, No. 84, K. of P. meets every Monday and Thursday nights. Visitors welcome.
ERNEST NEWTON, K. of R. and S.
Hopkins Lodge, A. O. U. W. No. 561 meets every Thursday night.
Y. Q. WALKER, Sec.
Golden Cross Lodge, Earlington, No. 625 meets 1st and 3rd, Saturday night in each month.
Mrs. M. B. LONG, Sec.
Degree of Honor, No. 10 meets 2nd and 4th Saturday nights in each month.
MISS LIZZIE HUFF, Sec.
Ben Har Lodge, Earlington Court, No. 55 meets every 2nd and 4th Friday night at new Victory Hall.
JOHN WAND, Scribe.
Standwaite, Tribe No. 67, Red Men meets every Friday night.
C. S. CRENSHAW, C. of R.

Woodmen of the World, Catalpa Camp No. 301 meets every Wednesday night. All members are earnestly requested to be there.
J. S. HANCOCK, Clerk.

Modern Woodmen of the World, No. 11992 meets every Wednesday.
Y. Q. WALKER, Sec.
Elks, B. P. O. No. 738 meets a Madisonville Monday night.
Jas. E. Franceway, Secy.

Visiting members are cordially invited to attend any of these Lodges.
Earlington Chapter, U. D. G., meets 1st Thursday in each month at 2:30 p. m.
MRS. KATE WITHERS, Pres.

CHURCHES.

CATHOLIC CHURCH.—First mass every Sunday and holy day at 7:00 a. m. Second mass and preaching 9:30 a. m. Vespers and benediction 7 p. m. Rev. J. P. McFarland, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.—Sunday-school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching every Lord's day at 10:45 a. m. and 7 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

M. E. CHURCH.—Regular services third Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. Sunday-school at 9:30 a. m. Class meeting, second Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Rev. J. H. Embry, pastor.

Epworth League—J. S. Hancock, president. Meets every Sunday evening at 6:45 p. m. at the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. All are welcome.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.—Rev. W. C. Brandon, pastor. Services on every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evenings at 7:30 o'clock. Epworth League, every Sunday evening at 6:45. Ladies' Aid Society every Monday afternoon. Official Board meeting Monday after first Sunday in each month.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.—Preach the fourth Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. and the preceding Saturday night. Church meeting Sunday night, before the 4th Sunday. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Pre meeting every Monday night at 7:30. F. V. C. Grignon, Pastor.

GENERAL ARTIST CHURCH.—Services Sunday night before the first Sunday in each month at 7:30 p. m. the Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Friday evening at 7:30. Rev. Bumpus, pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. E. L. A.—Regular services first Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. and third Sunday at 3:30 p. m. in each month. Sunday school each Sunday in m. at 9:30 o'clock.

Russia Now Has Woman Lawyer. Dr. Katherine Fleischer has just been admitted to the bar in Russia, and will practice her profession in St. Petersburg. She is the first woman lawyer in the czar's dominions, and she passed the final examinations with high honors. She met with much opposition when she first announced her intention of studying law. Prejudice was strong, even from influential members of her sex. She persisted in her ambition against all obstacles, however, and came out triumphant. It is her hope to fight the legal battles of women, and she seeks them especially as clients. Dr. Fleischer is an ardent suffragette and predicts she will live to see women sitting in the duma.

Not Looking for Too Much. "Don't see poverty is a blessing" is a guess," said Brother Dickey, "but when I see him comin' I pray de Lawd dat I won't be blessed out or house an' home."—Atlanta Constitution.

The Bee Has all Kinds of Xmas Paper Goods.

I. C. R. R. TIME CARD.

Time of departure of Illinois Central trains from Nortonville, Ky.

NORTH BOUND.	
No. 102	1:23 p. m.
No. 101	3:40 a. m.
No. 122, local pass.	10:45 a. m.
No. 133, local pass.	6:30 p. m.
SOUTH BOUND.	
No. 101	4:08 p. m.
No. 102	1:46 a. m.
No. 121, local pass.	11:23 p. m.
No. 133, local pass.	5:53 a. m.

E. & N. TIME CARD.

Time of arrival of trains passing through and departure of trains originating at Earlington.

NORTH BOUND.	
No. 92	6:25 a. m.
No. 93	11:15 a. m.
No. 94	6:53 p. m.
No. 95	11:22 p. m.
SOUTH BOUND.	
No. 93	4:30 a. m.
No. 94	8:23 a. m.
No. 95	4:31 p. m.
No. 96	10:48 p. m.
INTERURBAN TRAINS.	
NORTH BOUND.	
No. 104	8:28 a. m.
No. 105	10:55 a. m.
No. 106	2:03 p. m.
No. 107	5:00 p. m.
SOUTH BOUND.	
No. 106	7:40 p. m.
No. 105	10:00 a. m.
No. 104	12:47 p. m.
No. 103	3:20 p. m.
No. 102	7:25 p. m.

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Alone in Saw Mill at Midnight

unmindful of dampness, drafts, storms or cold, W. J. Atkins worked as Night Watchman, at Balm Springs, Tenn. Such exposure gave him a severe cold that settled on his lungs. At last he had to give up work. He tried many remedies but all failed till he used Dr. King's New Discovery. "After using one bottle," he writes, "I went back to work as well as ever." Severe Colds, stubborn Coughs, Inflamed throats and sore lungs, Hemorrhages, Croup and Whooping Cough get quick relief and prompt cure from this glorious medicine. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free, guaranteed by all druggists.

Mankind's Great Deed.

From Boston comes this wall from a long-suffering man: "God made the neck, man made the collar and the devil invented the starch." This generation boasts of many things accomplished by its predecessors as its own, but no genius has yet arrived to give suffering man a soft neck bandage, which is much more needed than aeroplanes and other curiosities.

"Had dyspepsia or indigestion for years. No appetite, and what I did eat distressed me terribly. Berdock Blood Bitters cured me."—J. H. Walker, Sanbury, Ohio.

A Gentleman.

A man that's clean inside and out; who neither looks up to the rich nor down on the poor; who can lose without squealing and who can win without bragging; who is considerate of women, children and old people; who is too brave to lie, too generous to cheat, and who takes his share of the world and lets other people have theirs.—New York Sun.

Not So Very.

"Dad, why was Solomon such a wise man?" "He wasn't!" snapped dad mentally multiplying his better half by several hundred.—Houston Post.

Stung For 15 Years

by Indigestion's pangs—trying many doctors and \$200.00 worth of medicine in vain, B. F. Ayscue, of Ingleside, N. C., at last used Dr. King's New Life Pills, and writes they wholly cured him. They cure Constipation, Bloating, Sick Headache, Stomach, Liver, Kidney and Bowel troubles. 25c at all drug stores.

United States Aristocracy.

In this country there is a democracy of wealth and an aristocracy of intellectual ability. The ranks are open to all, and the poor boys of to-day are going to be the magnates of the future.

Latent Ability.

"Yes, sir," mused Brown, "poor old Jones died a really tragic death. I never would have thought it of him—didn't know he had it in him!"

Don't Be Helpless

about yourself when you're crippled with rheumatism or stiff joints—of course you've tried lots of things and they failed. Try Ballard's Snow Liniment—it will drive away all aches, pains and stiffness and leave you as well as ever were. Sold by St. Bernard Mining Co., Incorporated, drug department.

Boosts and Knocks.

How comes it that the evil which men say spreads so wildly and lasts so long, whilst our good, kind words don't seem somehow to take root and bear blossom? Is it that in the stony hearts of mankind these pretty flowers can't find a place to grow? Certain it is that scandal is good, brisk talk, whereas praise of one's neighbor is by no means lively hearing.—W. M. Thackeray.

Rice Cultivation in Burma.

Of the twelve million acres under cultivation in Burma, eight million are devoted to rice.

A Hearty Appetite

is what most babies have, but is of no benefit to them if they have worms. Be sure your baby is not troubled with them. Sure symptoms—always hungry, rings under the eyes, not gaining in weight and yellow complexion. A few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge will expel all worms. It is a positive cure and reliable. Price 25 cents per bottle.

Sold by St. Bernard Mining Co., Incorporated, drug department.

Figuring on the Loot.

A Pennsylvania burglar was sentenced to 30 years' imprisonment for stealing 20 bushels of wheat. Nowadays burglars will do well to read the market reports, leave the cereals alone and confine their attention to silverware, jewelry and other less costly commodities.

Vision Needs Distance.

Objects which are usually the motives of our travels by land and sea are often overlooked and neglected if they lie under our eye.—Pliny the Younger.

The Real Victim.

After a man has been sick a week his wife looks worse than he does from taking care of him.—Atchison Globe.

By Her Own Testimony.

Mr. Knox—"There's one good thing about that young puppy that came to see you last night, and that is, he's healthy." His Daughter—"I'm glad to hear you admit that much." Mr. Knox—"I wouldn't except for the fact that when you met him in the hall last night I heard you say: 'Oh! Tom, how cold your nose is!'"

Rich Men's Gifts Are Poor

beside this: "I want to go on record as saying that I regard Electric Bitter as one of the greatest gifts that God has made to woman, writes Mrs. O. Rhinevaunt, of Vestal Center, N. Y., "I can never forget what it has done for me." This glorious medicine gives a woman buoyant spirits, vigor of body and jubilant health. It quickly cures Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Headache, Backache, Fainting and Dizzy Spells; soon builds up the weak, ailing and sickly. Try them. 50c. at all druggists.

The Honest Prisoner.

A prisoner within these last few days appeared at our county jail, bringing his own commitment. The constable, he said, was busy in his harvest and could not come with him. It was not till after he had given his word and honor that he was the person named in the commitment that he was admitted.—From the Staffordshire (Eng.) Advertiser of September, 1909.

Constipation causes headache, nausea, dizziness, languor, heart palpitation. Drastic physics gripe, sicken, weaken the bowels and don't cure. Doan's Reglets act and gently cure constipation. 25 cents. Ask your druggist.

Observe, and Be Happy.

The chief secret of comfort lies in not suffering trifles to vex us, and in prudently cultivating our undergrowth of small pleasures.—Archbishop Sharp.

Pleasure.

There is a deep distinction between pleasure loving and pleasure seeking. The first spirit seems to find pleasure almost everywhere, while the latter wears itself in a fruitless search. The best pleasure is found of those who seek it not.

Looking One's Best.

It's a woman's delight to look her best but pimples, skin eruptions, sores and boils rob life of joy. Listen! Bucklen's Arnica Salve cures them; makes the skin soft and velvety. It glorifies the face. Cures Pimples, Sore Eyes, Cold Sores, Cracked Lips, Chapped Hands. Try it. Infallible for Piles. 25c at all drug stores.

A Non-Subscriber.

A south Missouri editor refused to publish a death notice of a non-subscriber. "People who don't take the home paper," he said, "never were alive, and their passing away has no news value."—Kansas City Star.

A True Republic.

The only country we can think of where republican traditions are properly followed out is the little state of Andorra, and there they have no politicians; everybody works.—London Saturday Review.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollar Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Everybody Wants to Get Away. The one desire of the entire population of the colony of St. Vincent is to get away from their island home as quickly as possible. Men and women make the question of emigration a hobby, and who can blame them? What future have they in St. Vincent?—Kingston (St. Vincent) Times.

Invulnerable to Attack.

The weight of years never bears heavily on one whose heart is light.—Florida Times-Union.

Her Heart Was Broken

because her complexion was bad and she could find nothing to clear it up. Ladies: a bad complexion is caused by inactive liver. An inactive liver will put in perfect condition by taking Ballard's Herbina. The unequalled liver regulator. Sold by St. Bernard Mining Co., Incorporated, drug department.

Adventure in a Cyclone.

"Yes, said the Billville story-teller, 'the cyclone carried his house into the next county and set it down there as comfortable as you please, and as he stepped out to the door to survey the country the man who owned the land notified him of suit for trespass, and the tax collector handed him a bill for taxes!'"—Atlanta Constitution.

Now You Know.

New Thought is a body of no-matter entirely surrounded by what's-the-uss.—Life.

Our Chance.

We read of and admire the heroes of old, but every one of us has to fight his own Marathon and Thermopylae; every one meets the Sphinx sitting by the road he has to pass; to each of us, as to Hercules, is offered the choice of vice or virtue; we may, like Paris, give the apple of life to Venus, or Juno, or Minerva.—Sir John Lubbock.

Watch Health of Children.

In Japan government physicians make a thorough physical examination of all school children once a year, and there is a monthly inspection of them by the medical corps every month. There is also a monthly sanitary investigation of all school buildings, their contents, water supply, surroundings, etc.

Rabbits Mothered by Collie.

A family of young rabbits are sharing the kennel of a collie puppy at Eucharoon, New South Wales. They were unearthed from their burrow by a kangaroo dog, but a collie intervened and, driving the other dog off, carried them to her kennel. There she is tending them as carefully as she does her own offspring.

Too Steady.

"Haven't you a home?" asked the sympathetic citizen. "Yep," answered Plodding Pete, "I had a nice home, but de first t'ing I knew it had a woodpile and a garden and a pump. And den it got so much like a steady job dat I resigned."

Good Work by Workhouse Boy.

Possibly the best interpreter of the Bible is Kitto. His Scriptural lore was the admiration of all his contemporaries. He was reared in a workhouse.

A Waste of Money.

Hub—Rockless and extravagant—If When did I ever make a useless purchase? Wife—Why, there's that fire extinguisher you bought a year ago; we've never used it since.

Eupheneus Name.

The city of Prague harbors an architect who rejoices in a name disfigured by no vowels, viz., Rtkrz.

Effects of Lightning.

Lightning kills one-half of those it strikes, while a few of the survivors are rendered blind, deaf dumb or partially paralyzed.

Ominous.

One of the first signs that a woman is getting old is when she tells the story that she married before she was 16.

Keep Ginseng at Home.

Making, selling or exporting of red ginseng in or from Korea is now forbidden, under fines of from \$50 to \$500 and confiscation of equipment to all parties except the Korean government or its specially authorized by it. It is highly valued in the orient for medicinal use.

Primitive Philosophy.

Animism is the name of a theory originally propounded by Stahl, about 1707. It asserts that the soul is the vital principle and only cause of life, and that the functions of plant and animal life depend upon its presence of vitality and not upon mechanical and chemical action. The word is now used to denote the popular doctrine of spiritualism. It is not itself a religion, but a sort of primitive philosophy.

Perfect Testing for Ham.

"Mraslin" is the name of a substance that is used in Bohemia to coat hams. It is as pliable as rubber, tasteless and harmless, and keeps the hams—also meats, eggs, etc., perfectly fresh almost indefinitely. The mraslin can be peeled from the ham almost as easily as the skin from a banana.

Never can it hurt when you'll mash a finger or suffer a cut, bruise, burn or scald. Be Prepared. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil instantly relieves the pain—quickly cures the wound.

The Peacock.

Little Ethel had been taken to Eastlake park to see the beautiful birds and animals, and upon her return described them to her mother. The peacock made a profound impression upon her, and she told her mother about it in this way: "It is a beautiful bird, mother, with electric lights all through the ferns and a turkey under it."—Los Angeles Herald.

Attaining Friends.

The world will value you for what you give. If you invite friends by your manner, and are kind and cordial, you will have them. If you wait for the world to invite you, you will be disappointed.

Has the Other Variety.

Customer—"Do you keep stove lifters in here?" Grocer's Clerk—"Not the iron ones, madam. But we can give you a plat of kerosene."

Don't let the baby suffer from eczema, sores or any itching of the skin. Doan's Ointment gives instant relief, cures quickly. Perfectly safe for

A Poor Brand of Happiness.

Some people find it hard to be truly happy unless they are making others miserable.

The Philosopher of Folly.

"Some give according to their means," says the Philosopher of Folly, "and others according to how mean they are."

Teach Agriculture.

In some of the public schools of Connecticut a course of agriculture has been introduced in some of the higher grades.

The Immortal B.

One of the critics says could never have written the words of a popular song. We are inclined to believe he might have done even that. In one of his sonnets he makes "deet" rhyme with "sweet."

London's Appetite for Fish. London eats 180,000 tons of fish each year.

In the Middle.

"The thief always suffers in the end." "Not always. My little boy stole some green apples the other day and that is not where he suffered."—Houston Post.

abundance, in inches or centimeters, it is expressed in decimals of an inch. The caliber of small arms is common in the United States and Great Britain.

Caliber of Firearms.

Flesh of Kids a Delicacy. Good prices are paid in Switzerland for the flesh of kids from six weeks to two months old. The meat is tender, and some prefer it to lamb.

Stone Crock Best for Bread. A loaf of bread will keep much longer if placed in a covered stone crock than in a tin box.

An Effective Medicine. Richter: "The only medicine which does women more good than harm is dress."

The Correct Time to stop a cough or cold is just as soon as it starts—then there will be no danger of pneumonia or consumption. Just a few doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup taken at the start will stop the cough. If it has been running on for sometime the treatment will be longer, but the cure is sure.

Sold by St. Bernard Mining Co., Incorporated, drug department.

Britain's Costly Administration. The salaries of government officials in the United Kingdom amount to over \$115,000,000 annually.

Women and Humor. The man who tries to be funny is generally a bore, but a woman can be funny without trying by just running for a street car.—Somerville Journal.

Immense Production of Soap. More than \$50,000,000 worth of soap is made and sold in the United States every year.

Daily Thought. Foresight is very wise, but foresight is very foolish; and castles are all any rate better than dungeons in the air.—Sir John Lubbock.

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TEXAS JUDGE FINDS PROSECUTION HAD NO COMPETENT EVIDENCE OF GUILT.

ACCUSED FORCED TO TESTIFY

S. W. Fordyce, St. Louis Capitalist, and Associates Bid in Waters-Pierce Southern Holdings for \$1,431,731 at Forced Sale.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 8.—Within a few hours after H. Clay Pierce, of St. Louis, had been freed of a charge of false swearing his oil properties in this state were sold at auction for \$1,431,731.

Pierce was acquitted by the instructions of the court, who held that testimony he gave in Missouri suits against the Waters-Pierce company could not be used against him in the trial here.

The property in Texas of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company was bought by S. W. Fordyce, a St. Louis capitalist, and associates for \$1,431,731. The Security Oil Company property went to John Sealy, of Galveston for \$35,000. The property of the Navarro Refining Company of Corsicana was sold to John Sealy for \$750,000. Sixty-five per cent of the Union Tank Line was sold to John Sealy for \$40,000. These also were sold at auction.

In the false swearing trial, Judge Calhoun held that the state had no case, as it sought to prove by introducing as evidence testimony Pierce had given in Missouri in the trial of ouster suits against the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, of which he is the head, that he swore falsely in an affidavit he made in 1906.

State Had No Evidence

The court did not hold that Pierce was immune from prosecution on the affidavit he made, but that the only evidence the state had to offer was testimony the defendant had given on other occasions.

The finding of Judge Calhoun was based on the provisions of the Missouri law. The testimony on which the perjury and false swearing charges were based was given in the Missouri ouster proceedings against the Standard Oil Company and the Water-Pierce Company. Pierce was forced to testify, and the admission was wrong from him that the Standard Oil Company owned a majority share of the Pierce's stock.

He was charged with perjury and false swearing, because, when seeking the redemption of his company in Texas, he had made an affidavit saying it was not controlled by the Standard. The Missouri law gives immunity to an officer testifying in such cases as that in which Pierce testified.

Court Waited for Evidence

This plea was entered when the case came to trial a few days ago. No ruling was made. When evidence was introduced, and the state's case, it was found, was based on the testimony in the Missouri case. Judge Calhoun ruled that such evidence was not admissible, and ordered the jury to return a verdict of acquittal.

DIES IN ARMS OF MOTHER

Child Expires While Woman is on Witness Stand Testifying Against Its Father.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 8.—Ruby Lewis, 6 months old, died in the arms of her mother while the woman, on the witness stand in police court, testified against her husband, J. R. Lewis, arrested on charges of disturbing the peace and molesting his wife. The woman gently rocked the baby as she told her story. Her hand wandered to the child's face. The baby's cheek was cold.

The woman screamed, pitched forward and dropped to the floor unconscious. Doctors were summoned and the woman was revived. The baby's death, they said, was caused by starvation and exposure.

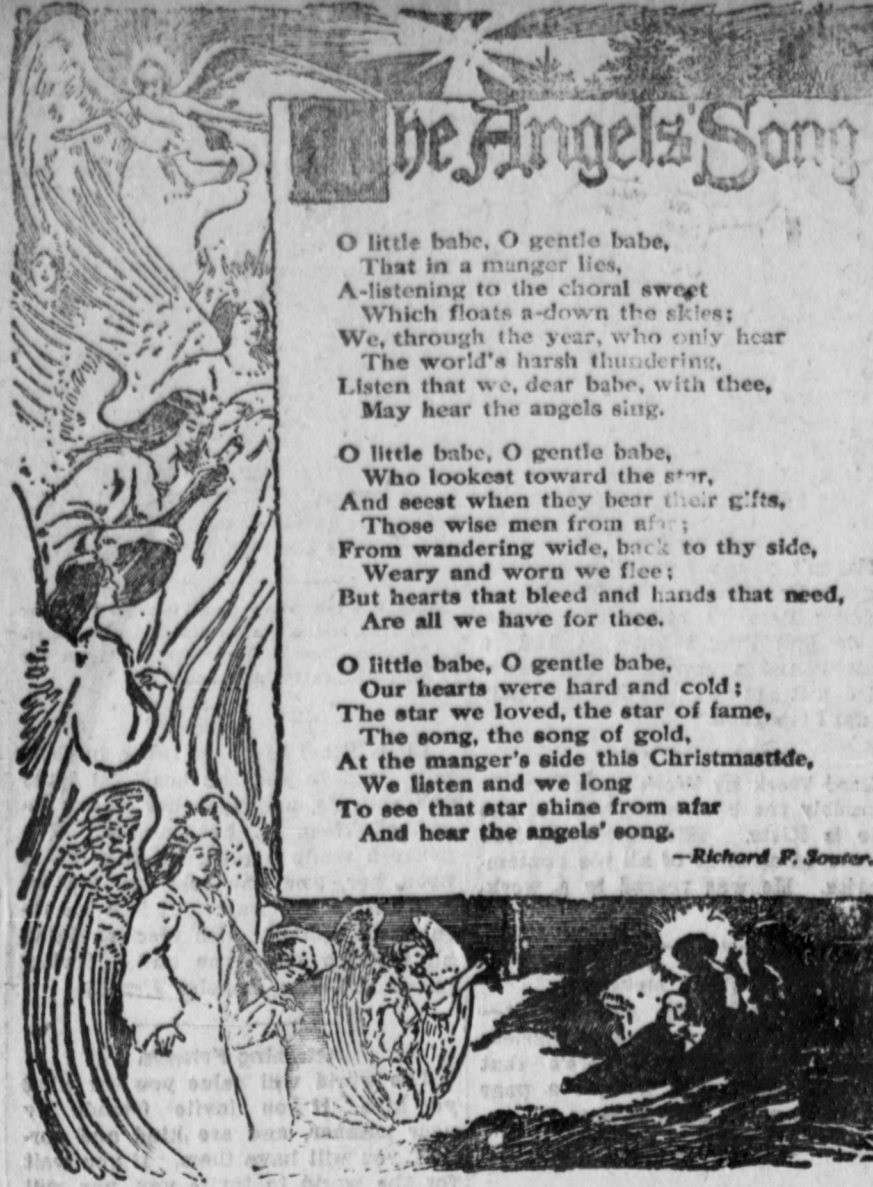
Lewis sat unmoved during the scene. Even when told the child was dead, he seemed to be unaffected.

Million Dollar Hotel Raided

Joplin, Mo., Dec. 8.—The \$1,000,000 Casino hotel was raided by Mayor Guy T. Hughes, patrolmen and private citizens Sunday night. From room No. 802 one of the finest roulette wheels ever seen in Joplin was taken. Fred Pirey and Walter Miller, who were in the room at the time, were arrested, and a warrant for the arrest of F. W. Young, manager of the hotel, charging him with being implicated in running the resort, was issued.

Negro Alexander Still at Urbana

Cairo, Ill., Dec. 8.—Cairo has been thrown into excitement by a report that the negro, Arthur Alexander, who is charged with participation in the murder of Miss Anna Pelley, had been brought back to Cairo, and would appear before the grand jury Tuesday. Alexander is still in jail at Urbana and State's Attorney Wilson said he would not be brought back to Cairo for trial at this special term of the court.



O little babe, O gentle babe,
That in a manger lies,
A-listening to the choral sweet
Which floats a-down the skies;
We, through the year, who only hear
The world's harsh thundering,
Listen that we, dear babe, with thee,
May hear the angels sing.

O little babe, O gentle babe,
Who lookest toward the star,
And see'st when they bear their gifts,
Those wise men from afar;
From wandering wide, back to thy side,
Weary and worn we flee;
But hearts that bleed and hands that need,
Are all we have for thee.

O little babe, O gentle babe,
Our hearts were hard and cold;
The star we loved, the star of fame,
The song, the song of gold,
At the manger's side this Christmas tide,
We listen and we long
To see that star shine from afar
And hear the angels' song.

—Richard P. Sanner.

NO STAIN TO BE DE

THE POSSIBILITY THAT ESCAPED THE WOMEN OF BETHLEHEM.

Some Have Might Have Rang Through All Ages Had She But Known the Spirit of Christmas Hospitality.



HE child born in the stable of Bethlehem, "because there was no room for them in the inn," was heralded by angels to the shepherds and by a star to the wise men; but no voice told the mothers of Bethlehem of the wonder which was happening in their town that night.

Suppose some gentle woman had met Joseph and Mary on that Wonderful Day, as they entered the town, and had said to them: "Our streets are full of homeless strangers. Come you and bide with me!" By that simple act of hospitality, her name would have been written high, high among the names of earth's happiest folk. "Blessed is she," we should have cried, "to whose home the Christmas joy first came!" But the women of the Judean town did not know to throw wide their doors and bring in the world's gratitude and love, says the Youth's Companion. So the Child was laid in a manger, and oblivion holds the names of all the women in Bethlehem who slept that night beneath the wings of wondering angels. Had they but known!

Year by year, for 19 centuries the story of the night at Bethlehem has been told and retold. To-day no household in Christendom, in town or village or on distant prairie can plead the ignorance in which Bethlehem then lay. If the door is shut on the Christ-child to-day, it is not from lack of knowledge, but from selfishness or indifference.

The Christmas spirit speaks in many voices. The sprig of holly or the plum pudding, the tree laden with gifts or the cheer for the lonely—these are all the world's way of saying to the Mother and the Holy Child, "Abide with us!"

Barred out alike from cottage and palace and inn in Palestine, the Hope of the World renews his appeal each Christmas-tide to our modern Christian world. By the very paths of the first Christmas, the heart is softened and prepared to give him welcome. To-day there is no heralding angel or guiding star.

No bar may bar His coming. But in this world of ours, Where meek souls will receive Him still, The dear Christ enters in.

Santa Claus Abroad

It is strange to contemplate the great variety of forms the Santa Claus custom assumes in different countries. In Belgium the little ones fill their shoes with carrots and oats and hay for the white horse St. Nicholas is supposed to drive. Very early in the morning they run to the room in which their shoes have been left and find that the provender has gone and in its place candles and presents are found.

Among the Carpathian mountains it is St. Peter, who, dressed as a bishop, and accompanied by the dreadful Ruprecht, is expected by the children on Christmas eve. The visitor first delivers a short sermon, lays on the table a rod whitened with chalk, and takes his departure with his tinkling bells, while Ruprecht follows close behind. The children now hasten to pull off their shoes, polish them and tie them together; and, as soon as the last notes of Niko's bells have become lost in the distance they run into the garden and secrete their shoes beneath a bush. They spend the time until 10 o'clock in relating stories, then go to their shoes, to find them filled with apples, nuts and goodies.

Christmas Carol

By Phillips Brooks

The earth has grown old with its burden of care,
But at Christmas it always is young.
The heart of the jewel burns lustrous and fair,
And its soul full of music bursts forth on the air,
When the song of the angels is sung.

It is coming, Old Earth, it is coming tonight!
On the snow-flakes which cover thy sod

The feet of the Christ-child fall gentle and white,
And the voice of the Christ-child tells out with delight
That mankind are the children of God.

On the sad and the lonely, the wretched and poor,
The voice of the Christ-child shall fall;
And to every blind wanderer open the door

Of hope that he dared not to dream of before,
With a sunshine of welcome for all.

The feet of the humblest may walk in the field
Where the feet of the holiest trod,
This, then, is the marvel to mortals revealed
When the silvery trumpets of Christmas have pealed,
That mankind are the children of God.

THE ROAD TO CHRISTMAS
In Retrospect Grandfather Pictures
Yuletide Journeys of Many Years Ago.

All the year long we have been traveling toward Christmas—I and my old wife, our children and our grandchildren—not all by the same road, not all with the same expectations, but all looking out alike for the first glimpse of its smoke rising above the wintry landscape of the year. Now we can almost fancy that we hear the chiming of the famous bells—all Christmas towns are famous for their bells—and we know that we shall soon be at our inn.

If life be a journey, and each year a stage upon the road, I do not know where else a sensible man would stop for the recruiting of his health than the fine old Christmas towns. There, if anywhere, men are to be found living together merrily; the inns are warm, the cheer is good, the amusements are of the heartiest, and the society is of the best. I have been through many a Christmas town—for I have traveled far—and have rested thoroughly in each. I never found two of them alike. Of late they have been much grayer and quieter than they used formerly to be; but I do not think that I have been less happy of the quiet towns at which I have of late years resided. Let me confess so much. As for these about me who declare them to be not quiet by any means, but perfectly uproarious with jollity, I do not interfere with their opinion. Children so easily deceive themselves; it is enough for me that I am old enough to see things as they are.

The First Christmas Tree.
"It's the Germans who brought the Christmas tree to America," the German said. "Didn't you know that? The duke of Hesse sold a regiment, called 'The Hessians,' after him, to fight the Americans. They got so drunk over their first Christmas tree here away from home that Washington captured them, and that started the fashion of Christmas trees in America. It's history."

GENEROUS AT WIFE'S EXPENSE

Tired Wife Explains How Husband Gets the Reputation He Likes So Well.

"Yes," said the tired-looking woman, "I have a very generous husband, and this is the way he gets that reputation. The other day I worked and slaved in the kitchen for about ten hours making jelly. It was my first attempt, so I had considerable trouble and burned my fingers about seventeen times. It turned out pretty good, however, and of course I was proud and delighted. That night I put some on the table for dinner, and husband got enthusiastic.

"Next day he was visiting a sick friend of his, a man, by the way, quite able to buy anything he might want and whose wife never lifts her finger. On leaving, Mr. Generous Husband says: 'Wife made some pretty good jelly the other day. You might like some. I'll send you up half a dozen jars.'

"Now, wouldn't that frost you, or rasp you, or whatever they say? Half a dozen jars! After all my work, to hand that jelly over to a man whose wife is too lazy to breathe! I made exactly eight jars, so we will have one more, unless he has already promised it to somebody else."

How to Receive Advice

More wisdom is required in taking than in giving advice. It should seldom be taken whole. The great thing, as we believe, is to take none which is out of character. To do so is to regret it. If we are naturally slow of decision, we shall be hurried into promptness at our peril. If we are by nature peevish and polite, we must not take advice to be arbitrary even in the best cause, says a writer in the London Spectator. If we are impulsive, we should take counsel with a man of the same temperament and stronger mind; but not with the phlegmatic, though he be the wisest slowcoach on earth. We all know our own defects, and if we are decent people at all our moral constitution has set up certain compensations. To disturb these is to court failure. So far as the isolated act is concerned, rashly accepted advice may be good enough—and successful enough—but how are we to go on? We have started on a course which is out of character, and we shall stumble until we get back into our stride.

A Popular Fallacy

The generally accepted belief that a person is useful in proportion as he is busy is controverted by a writer, who says: "I have a dog that is loaded up with fleas. In the summer time, when the fleas are plenty, that is the busiest dog I ever saw; when he isn't biting at the fleas he's snapping at the flies. He never has a minute to spare, but when he is the busiest he is the least account for practical purposes. And there is a young fellow in my neighborhood who has a Waterbury watch, and he smokes cigarettes. When he isn't winding his watch he is lighting a cigarette. He is a mighty busy young man, but—"

CHURCH FAMED IN HISTORY

Edifice of St. Nicholas at Great Yarmouth Said to Be the Largest in England.

The Church of St. Nicholas at Great Yarmouth is said to be the largest parish church in England. It is certainly larger than some of the cathedrals, and it is broader than York Minster. It possesses a remarkable curiosity in the shape of a revolving reading desk, but, apart from this, the interior is not particularly interesting, though it would have been had the church wardens of the past been as appreciative of art as of business. We hear of a splendid altar tomb being demolished to make room for a doorway, of the beautiful eucharistic brasses being sent to London and cast into "weights for the use of the town!"

Certainly, we cannot blame Cromwell and his troops for all the destruction worked in famous churches. It was in St. Nicholas church that Lord Nelson, accompanied by Sir William and Lady Hamilton, returned thanks to God, in November, 1800, for the successes of the British fleet. Even the largest parish church in England could scarce contain this mighty congregation.

Chinese Barbers Don't Use Lather.
"One of the chief trials of the average man is the way his razor pulls when he proceeds to erase the beard from his face," remarked Julian E. Apperson, of St. Louis.
"Some years ago I was in China and I noticed that the cunning barbers at that country instead of putting lather on the faces of their customers used a number of hot towels instead. I went through the experience and the came a convert to the Chinese system. To this day when I go to shave, in lieu of soap I steam my face with hot water, and find that this method takes all the wrinkles out of the whiskers far better than lather, so that if the blade is reasonably sharp you can shave without any torture incurred in the 'pulling' process."

Earth's Magnetic Poles.
The magnetic poles of the earth are two points nearly opposite of the earth's surface where the dip of the magnetic needle is exactly 90 degrees. The statement usually made that a freely suspended magnetic needle, remote from magnetic masses, tends to point due north and south, is not correct except for a few localities and certain times.

The actual nature of the earth's magnetic field must be found by extended experiments which are being carried on by many scientists, largely under the direction of this and other governments. It is a field that offers great opportunities for scientific research, particularly since the discovery of the north pole.

Flag Display Accounted For.
On a visit to St. Petersburg a visitor noticed that on the occasion of the birthday of the czar there were only one or two flags visible, those being displayed on official buildings. On a later visit, a week or two later, he observed that flags were everywhere, the very streets obscured by waving bunting. "Why," he asked a friend, "do you show a flag now while you do not then?" "Well," was the reply, "a police agent came round and said that if I did not display one I should be fined 200 rubles. So I hoisted three, to be on the right side, and the others are doing the same."

Ice Box Repaired.
"Hub!" sneers the plate of ice cream to the piece of limburger cheese. "You needn't give yourself such airs. Didn't you see in the papers where there are a million microbes to each drop of ice cream?"
"I did," retorts the limburger.
"That's nothing. Compared to me you are a sparsely settled territory."

We've All Heard It.
Handed down through the ages: "Mealy snakes alive, where did you get that horrible haircut?"

Making Conversation.
He (after embarrassing silence)—Don't you think the floor is unusually flat to-night?—Williams Purple Cow.

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This Kit can be purchased at your grocer's or simply paying \$1.95 (a little more at distant points). The grocer himself will either redeem your coupons and deliver the \$3.75 Fireless Cooker, or, if you so desire, send the coupons and 89c directly to us and we will ship the cooker to you, express collect.

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BUFFALO SAILING WITH 1100

Prairie Ordered From Philadelphia With Rear Admiral Kimball and 700 Men—U. S. Jackies Equal to Zelaya's Army.

Philadelphia, Dec. 3.—Flying the pennant of Rear Admiral William Wirt Kimball, the transport *Prairie* with 700 marines on board left the Philadelphia navy yard for the Panama canal zone and possibly Nicaragua.

The *Prairie* ran aground on the soft mud of the Delaware river, a few hours after weighing anchor at the Philadelphia navy yard, bound for the Caribbean. Tugs were sent to her relief.

War Vessels Rushed South.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The most aggressive step yet taken by the United States looking toward the protection of American lives and American interests in Nicaragua, was executed when the protected cruiser *Albany* and the gunboat *Yorktown* were ordered to proceed at full speed from Magdalena Bay to Corinto on the Pacific coast of Nicaragua.

The gunboat *Vicksburg* already is riding the waters in the harbor of Corinto and the gunboat *Princeton* is on her way from the Bremerton navy yard, Washington, for the same port.

In addition the transport *Buffalo*, according to what is said to be the plans of the officials responsible, will sail from Panama for Corinto, with probably as many as 1100 marines aboard, soon after the *Prairie*, 700 marines arrives at Corinto.

Can Compete With Zelaya Army.

The concentration of the four warships together with the *Buffalo* with all her marines, at Corinto, is taken to indicate the determination of the officials here to be able to meet any call upon them for the protection of American citizens. On the *Albany* are about 500 blue jackets and on the *Vicksburg* *Yorktown* and *Princeton* about 150 each. These, together with the marines would make an army equal to any organization reported to be serving under Zelaya.

At the same time the United States will have a formidable force within striking distance of the Atlantic coast, in case of danger to American lives or property in that section of Nicaragua. At Fort Limon, Costa Rica, are anchored the cruisers *Des Moines* and *Albatross* each with 280 men aboard and the gunboat *Marietta* with 150 men.

6000 Americans to Land.

It is believed that within forty-eight hours 4000 marines, sailors and soldiers will be policing Nicaragua and that 2000 more will be there shortly afterward.

It was learned at the navy yards that the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel Whitney has been advanced to that of Colonel and that he will command the 700 marines who will sail on the *Prairie*.

EARLY LOCKED UP AGAIN

Supposed Leper Appears in Washington and Is Seized and Removed to Quarantine Station.

Washington, Dec. 3.—John R. Early, the "leper" who threw scientists of two continents into a dispute, ventured to show himself in Washington again Thursday, and was promptly put into quarantine. Early made no effort to escape arrest. He admitted he came to Washington prepared to attempt to make things lively for the district authorities if they locked him up.

When the health department got out a warrant for his arrest, charging him with being a person with a contagious disease, who was exposing himself, he arranged with a newspaper man to go to a police station and be locked up.

Dr. W. C. Fowler, chief of the bureau of contagious diseases ordered Early's removal to the Quarantine station. Early said he had been living quietly with his wife and children on his farm at Manchester, Va.

Dynamite Plot at Canal.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Efforts to wreck with dynamite a portion of the track of the Panama Railroad Co. and a large steam shovel were made on the night of Nov. 2 last. This fact was made known here at the office of the Isthmian Canal commission through the offer by the government of a reward for information leading to the arrest of the person or persons who were implicated in the plot.

Roosevelt at Londiana.

Londiana, British East Africa, Dec. 3.—The Roosevelt hunting party arrived here via the Uganda railway. The party for several weeks has been in the Inyanga Plateau district, where game was abundant. The remainder of the expedition, with the trophies of the hunt, will arrive later. The party is enjoying the best of health.

EXPECT BATTLE AT RAMA

NICARAGUANS BELIEVE REBELS WILL WIN.

Zelaya's Troops Are Suffering From Fever and Starvation; Also Lack Clothing.

Bluefields, Nicaragua, Dec. 6.—By Wireless to Colon.—It is expected that a battle will be fought between the Zelayists and the revolutionists at Rama on Wednesday. It is believed here that the defeat of the Zelayists is certain. All approaches by land and water are mined. Some of the men who have seen the Zelayan army confirm the report that it is in a critical condition.

Gen. Chamorro, the rebel leader, who is besieging Greytown, will attack that port if the revolutionists win at Rama. The troops of Gen. Tolano, who is holding Greytown for Zelaya, are suffering from fever and starvation. They are badly lacking in clothing, many of them not having even a shirt.

The joint insurgent forces of Gen. Estrada and Col. Onelio number 16,000 men. The strength of the government troops of President Zelaya is unknown. Estrada is fortified at Rama, his intrenchments being strong with hundreds of miles of barbed wire.

Victory for the insurgents is predicted. If it materializes the way will be open for an advance upon Managua in the dry season of January.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 5.—Designing of quickly freeing the cruiser *Prairie* from the mud flats at Pea Patch Island, in the Delaware river, where she has been stuck since last Thursday, the marines and stores aboard the stranded cruiser were removed to the cruiser *Dixie*. It is probable that the latter vessel will get under way today and continue to Corinto, the original destination of the *Prairie*.

STORM HITS TERRE HAUTE

Cyclone Sweeps Twenty-Five Blocks, Causing \$20,000 Damage—Southern Indiana Hit.

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 6.—A cyclone passed through twenty-five blocks of this city at noon Sunday, causing \$20,000 damage. No one was injured, but several persons had narrow escapes.

A newsboy was lifted across the street and a carriage containing three persons was carried with the wind for a block.

The residences of W. R. McKee, Dennis Denning and H. Hulman, three of the finest residences in the city, were badly damaged.

The cloud was seen lifting and disappearing at the eastern edge of the city. It came from the southwest.

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 6.—A storm passed over this city and southern Indiana. Several residences and stores were badly damaged.

National Civic Congress.

New York, Dec. 6.—In response to a call issued by the governors of the American Civic alliance, representatives of a large number of civic and educational organizations from all parts of the country met here today in a civic congress that is to last until Saturday night. Men prominent in all walks of life have come to help consider and devise a means for coordinating civic activities throughout the country, and also to plant more effective methods of studying and solving municipal problems. The gathering is non-partisan, and the opening session was presided over by Henry Clews, the New York banker who is chairman of the board of governors of the alliance.

Arrest Expected in Church Feud.

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 6.—Blood-hounds followed tracks from the United Brethren church at Arabia to the house of a man suspected of burning the church two days ago. The tracks were guarded until the dogs were brought from Indianapolis. There had been a feud in the congregation. The building was erected in 1849, and with contents, was valued at \$1,500. It is expected an arrest will be made today.

Deserted by Wife, Sues Postmaster.

Carmel, Ill., Dec. 7.—Thomas Beckley, postmaster at Maunie, a little village east of here, has been named defendant in a \$4,000 damage suit filed in circuit court here by Charles Wilson, a barber, who also lives at Maunie. Wilson alleges Beckley alienated the affections of Mrs. Wilson and caused her to forsake him. Beckley has been postmaster for several years.

Church Will Operate Store.

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 6.—A unique scheme has been resorted to by the Twelfth Avenue Baptist church of this city to pay off a church debt amounting to \$4,000. The congregation has just opened a grocery store and meat market near the church, and the members of the church and their friends are expected to patronize the new enterprise.

To Add to National Forest.

Washington, Dec. 6.—As a proposed addition to the Pinyon National Forest, California, Secretary Ballinger has withdrawn from all forms of disposition under the public land laws, except under the mineral laws, the vacant unappropriated public lands in area approximating 118,611 acres.

A SYMPATHETIC STRIKE.



CHERRY MINERS WERE NEGLECTED

WOMAN TESTIFIES COAL WAS HOISTED TWO HOURS AFTER FIRE STARTED.

TOLD THERE WAS NO DANGER

Mrs. Miller, Who Lost Husband, Declares Work Continued With Smoke Pouring from Shaft—Only One Sign in Mine.

Cherry, Ill., Dec. 7.—Testimony confirming the story that the 500 cherry miners were left without notification of their danger for over two hours after the discovery of the fire of November 13, was introduced at the session of the coroner's inquest.

Witnesses testified the mine bosses continued to hoist coal from the mine for a long time after the entire population of Cherry had been alarmed by the flames and smoke pouring out of the mouth of the air shaft, and that frantic wives and mothers were told the men were not being brought to the surface because there was no danger.

Smoke Was Pouring from Shaft.

Mrs. Jemima Miller, whose husband perished in the mine fire, was one of the witnesses who testified coal was hoisted after smoke began pouring from the air shaft.

"I went to the shaft at 1:45 o'clock, more than two hours after the bale of hay was set afire," stated Mrs. Miller, "and they were still hoisting coal. Smoke was coming out of the air shaft, and I asked Mr. Buck, the chief clerk, why they did not hoist the men out of the mine instead of hoisting the coal. He said he guessed they would, but he told me to go on home, for there was no danger. The fire, he said, would soon be out, that it only was some hay that was afire."

"How much coal did you see hoisted?" the woman was asked.

"Hoisted Three Cars. They kept hoisting coal for some time, that I noticed," she replied. "I could say they hoisted three cars, and I think more."

George Jones, employed as a carpenter at the mine, testified that in the whole range of tunnels there was only one sign to point the way to the air shaft, which was meant to be a means of escape for the miners in the case of fire or explosion.

May Involve Great Britain.

New Orleans, Dec. 7.—Great Britain may be drawn into the Nicaraguan affair and compelled to take decisive action, if the claim made by President Zelaya at Managua is corroborated. He asserts the rebels have seized banana plantations and other ranches owned by Englishmen of the eastern coast, and the planters have been compelled to ask aid of the British cruiser *Scylla* at Bluefields.

Missouri Woman Meets Taft.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Senator Warren represented Mrs. Della R. Henry of Kansas City, to the president. Mrs. Henry, who is national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, is staying in Washington for several days before going to Atlantic City to consult with prominent men in connection with civil war societies on a coming meeting of the G. A. R.

Telegraph Strike in Sight.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 7.—A strike of the telegraph operators on the Big Four will be called within the next forty-eight hours. This statement was made here by an official of the union in discussing the efforts which have been made by a committee of seven representatives of the operators to get a new agreement with the road.

ENGLISH CABINET TO QUIT

REJECTION OF BUDGET BY HOUSE OF LORDS TO CAUSE STEP.

Public Demonstration Against Lords Is Feared When Action Is Taken—Fiances in Confusion.

London, Dec. 1.—The cabinet is in practically continuous session preparing for its resignation and the dissolution of parliament, following the expected rejection of the budget by the House of Lords.

That the budget will be rejected is a foregone conclusion. The speeches against Lord Lansdowne's amendment will cut down slightly the vote in the House of Lords by which the budget will be thrown out. It is not believed these speeches have changed the votes of half a dozen peers.

To guard against a hostile demonstration against the lords when action is taken, the police will have a special guard in and around the chamber. It is feared the public may attempt to vent its wrath by "rushing" parliament.

Complete financial confusion prevails throughout England and the experts are as much in the dark regarding the outcome as the laity.

The highest legal authorities are agreed that the situation, assuming that the Lansdowne amendment, which is for a referendum vote on the budget, will be carried, will prevent the collection of any taxes except those specified under the permanent laws, thus cutting down the national revenues by one-half. The taxation measures which will be of no avail, include the income tax and the tea and whisky duties. Persons who have already paid these taxes are now preparing to sue and recover from the government.

Many courses are open to Premier Asquith, but he has not indicated clearly yet which one he will choose.

BANK WRECKERS TO PEN

Five Pleaded Guilty to Embezzlement of Funds of Tipton, Ind., Bank and Got Five Years Each.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 1.—W. H. Marker and Noah Marker, charged with getting away with nearly \$100,000 from the First National bank of Tipton, Ind., pleaded not guilty when arraigned in the federal court.

Five men who pleaded guilty in the federal court to the embezzlement of funds from national banks were each sentenced by Judge Anderson to five years in the federal prison at Fort Leavenworth. The men are Max Emmerich of Indianapolis, Harry C. Prinzler, Indianapolis, E. H. Dotzer of Fort Wayne, J. H. Phillips of Terre Haute, and Frank H. Nicolai of Auburn, Ind.

Cat Thrown Into Church.

Lawrenceburg, Ind., Dec. 1.—Ben Ingram, aged 17, a negro, who shot and killed Mollie Childers, aged 12, colored, was arrested on the charge of disturbing a religious meeting. He threw a cat with a tin can tied to its tail through the window of the colored Baptist church during the services and caused a big scare. Ingram entered a plea of guilty before Justice John Probst and was fined \$25 and costs.

Military Court to Capital.

Brownsville, Tex., Dec. 3.—Having established through its sittings here, the fact that bullets, fired during the "shooting up" of the city, were from the barracks, occupied by the negro soldiers, the military court of inquiry will hold its hearings in Washington tomorrow Wednesday. The members are now on their way to the capital.

Blizzard Sweeps Colorado.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 4.—The snow storm that has been general throughout Colorado for twenty-four hours has become a severe blizzard in the southern part of the state. Flooding reports 23 inches of snow. Cripple Creek is 30 inches, with from 4 to 7 feet in the mountains.

MAKES TARGET OF ZELAYA

DENUNCIATION OF ALLEGED BARBARITIES AND OPPRESSION

Asks Legislation to Limit Writ by Statute—Favors Ship Subsidy and Comments on Sugar Frauds.

Washington, Dec. 8.—A denunciation of the "unspeakable barbarities and oppression alleged to have been committed by the Zelaya government in Nicaragua," a recommendation for legislation to limit by statute the writ of injunction in labor cases, and a strong plea for the ship subsidy are three of the striking points brought out in the first annual message of President Taft submitted to the Sixty-first congress Tuesday.

Taken as a whole, President Taft's message reads like an opinion of a court covering a case in which many questions are involved. It is in marked contrast with a "Roosevelt message" in that there is a total absence of fire in the president's review of what the various government departments have done and what he recommends in the way of legislation.

The question upon which congress expected the president to take a bold stand, such as proposed amendments to the Sherman anti-trust law, the interstate commerce law, and the conservation of natural resources, which includes improvement of waterways, were dismissed in a few lines, as the president promised to discuss these subjects at length in the near future. There is one subject, however, to which he commits himself unequivocally, and that is the ship subsidy. He calls attention to the fact that the House had passed such a bill, and the Senate one. He hopes that at the present session a bill of this character will become a law.

While the president does not recommend an increase in the rate of postage on second-class mail matter, he strongly suggests to congress that the one-cent postage rate should be increased to lessen the deficit in the receipts of the postoffice department which occur because of the one-cent postage rate.

President Taft clearly pays heed to organized labor's demands in his recommendation for legislation to limit by statute the writ of injunction, in that no injunction or restraining order, temporary or permanent, shall be issued without previous notice.

Commenting on the frauds in the customs service at New York, he suggests that an investigation of these frauds by congress would be unwise. He advocates a continuance of the policy of paying for the construction of the Panama canal by bond issues and is opposed to departing from that course, which was adopted in the Spooner act of 1902.

The president devotes a large part of his message to a review of our foreign relations, which he says are most harmonious. He takes occasion, however, to administer a severe rebuke to the Zelaya government of Nicaragua, which has kept Central America in constant tension or turmoil. He refers to the "unspeakable barbarities and oppression alleged to have been committed by the Zelaya government," and informs congress that the government is proceeding to determine the exact truth in relation to those reports, consistent with its dignity, duty to American interests and its moral obligations to Central America.

EXPRESS CO'S. ARE LIABLE

Illinois Appellate Court Holds \$50 Limit Is Illegal and Can Recover Full Value.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—A ruling of importance to shippers of goods via express companies has been made by

the appellate court. The court held that express companies are liable for the full value of goods which may be destroyed through the negligence of the company, rather than the arbitrary figure of \$50 placed on all packages where the value is not stated by the shipper.

The opinion was given in a case appealed from the municipal court, where Rodman B. Ellison and others of Philadelphia sued the Adams Express company for \$579.45 as the value of two bales of woollens which were destroyed by fire in one of the company's cars.

Steamboat Line Heads Convenes.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The presidents and general managers of about 25 of the leading steamboat companies of the United States and Canada, comprising the Association of Passenger Steamboat Lines, met in the New Willard hotel today in annual session, with President George A. White of New York in the chair. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss matters pertaining to steamboat interests and to perfect the service as far as possible for both the safety and the comfort of the passengers.

Iowa Agricultural Convention.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 8.—The Iowa agricultural convention was held today at the rooms of the department of agriculture in the state house. C. E. Cameron, president of the state board of agriculture, presided and made the opening address. Others who spoke were W. H. Mellor, secretary of the Nebraska board; Gov. B. F. Carroll, James H. Atkinson of Des Moines; P. O. White of Creston and B. W. Crossley of Ames. This afternoon a business session was held.

FOUND TIME FOR LITERATURE

English Literary Man Astonished to Find Accurate Scholarship Among Americans.

An English literary man, who visited this country some years ago to lecture, frankly declared that he came not expecting to find accurate scholarship among Americans, especially on purely literary subjects, adding affably:

"You have been too busy and useful a nation in practical matters to give much time to the arts and graces of learning."

During the dinner at which he made this remark he criticized Shakespeare, sharply declaring that his metaphors often were absurd, "as, for example," he said, "Sleep that knits up the ravell'd sleeve of care." How ridiculous to figure sleep as knitting up a torn sleeve of a coat!

A young American sitting near him said modestly: "I think the word is not sleeve, but slave, the thin slat of a damaged web. It is a technical expression among weavers."

"In the United States probably," retorted the critic irritably. "Shakespeare never could have heard it. He meant sleeve."

"I believe," persisted the American gently, "the word is printed sleeve in all the old editions. It is not an American word, but has been used for centuries by weavers in Scotland and the north of England."

The visitor frowned and then with English frankness said, laughing: "Thank you. I was mistaken. Perhaps I am mistaken about other things and will be corrected before I leave your shores."

Vegetable Suspension Bridge.

A remarkable suspension bridge spans the River Apurimac in central Peru. The ropes of this bridge are composed of pliable roots and vines, while the planks are made of branches. In the humid climate Peru it would be by no means extraordinary if this vegetable bridge were one day to start growing.—World Magazine.



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WORK OF THE GENEALOGIST

His Compensation Depends on His Being Able to Get Up a Really Handsome Family Tree.

The principal workers from the outside in the history of the country are those who are hunting for genealogies. They begin early and work late at this task, and they are paid variously, according to the genealogies they work out, declares the Washington Herald.

To trace down an ordinary genealogy, said one of these researchers the other day, "I receive \$20, but if I am able to procure a real, handsome genealogy with a duke or a baron or a bunch of royalty in it, then I get almost any price my conscience allows me to charge. One American family—now don't be curious, because the family happens to live outside of Washington—gave me \$500 for getting up a lovely family tree for them, which included the privilege of using a coat of arms with royal quarterings. I believe they were called down for using this coat of arms in England, and so they lay it aside when they are in Europe; but in America it appears in great splendor on their stationery, carriage doors and table linen, and it is said the women of the family have it embroidered on their lingerie, being aware of the fact that the distant side of the family are not entitled to the coat of arms, but only the quarterings of their father's and mother's arms on a lounge. Don't pity the poor genealogist, for we are probably as well paid for our work as any of those who must work for a living."

HOW HE SAVED THE CIRCUS

Wonderful Story Put Up by Owner Called Forth High Compliment from Editor.

Willis Cobb the circus man told this story:

Years ago he was traveling through the south with a wagon tent show and the press agent among other glowing accounts of "what's coming," announced a herd of 20 camels from the sandy desert of Arabia.

When the show reached town, instead of 20, there was but one sickly camel. Some of the country newspapers paid no attention to this slight discrepancy, but when Cobb entered the office of a Georgia country editor he was made enough to fight.

"I saw your parade, sah," said he, "and you lied to our people. I've a good mind to roast you. Where are your 20 camels you made my paper say you've got in your show?"

"I'll tell you how it was," explained Cobb. "When we passed the swamp on the way here it was full of alligators, and without the slightest warning they leaped upon the hump and devoured all but one of the camels. We put up a brave fight, but it was no use."

The editor glared at Willis a couple of minutes and then said: "You're a good one. You ought to be a Georgia editor. Come out to my house to dinner to-day. I want to introduce my wife to the biggest liar on earth. She'll be glad to meet you."

Office Femininity

"Women may flout their independence as much as they like," said the observant man, "but they seldom lose their femininity. If you take a look at these stenographers and typewriters who nestle about in every downtown office, you will find them between business hours at work on some little thing they would have done if they had been at home, a piece of embroidery, a coffee, hem-stitching a handkerchief or embroidery a centerpiece or something. The top drawer of their desk is always full of feminine things, needles and thread and scissors. In fact, there are very few of them that I have seen who don't make their part of the office, in spite of their work, as much like home as possible."—New York Times.

Wonderful Clocks

Five wheels and a small battery virtually constitute the mechanism of a wonderful clock just invented in England. It will run three years without attention, and at the end of that time all that is required is to attach a new battery.

Another new English clock enables the possessor to ascertain at a glance the mean time, the meridian and relative position of every part of the empire, besides being able to witness the actual speed and direction of the earth's rotation. The motive power is a clock in the back of the stand and the apparatus requires refueling only once a week.

Placid's Explanation

The den of the tiger, it is about a mile from the highway, and in the town. One day a tiger, weary of his life, said to the daily who was driving him to the town:

"What is the name of the place where they put this depot so far from town?"

"The place is called his head in the town," replied the daily.

"The boss is called to admit that I have given the matter of my own mind, but I have done so as to the depot as near as possible to the railroad."—Lippincott's.

Elvira's Way

The teacher (reading)—"What did Elvira do when she found her mother and father had been killed?"

Elvira—"I was alone, I think I was alone, I think I was alone, I think I was alone."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

KEEP LANGUAGE AND CUSTOMS

Dutch Impress Clearly Visible Among Inhabitants of Old Villages Up the Hudson.

Dutch language and customs still prevail to a surprising extent in the old villages up the Hudson, according to Peter C. Barker of Buffalo, N. Y.

"The modern housekeeper from the city," said Mr. Barker, "who takes a picturesque dwelling, built about 1690, for a summer home, is confronted by some bewildering conditions. First among these are words of one pronunciation in Dutch and English, but of totally different meaning. For instance, her 'help' obtained from the village will probably glance about the kitchen after finishing her morning's work, and chant in a singsong that might be pointed off thus: 'I ain't done no work—what I meant to do—this mawnin'—yet. An'—I'll just file up the kitchen floor. To the mistress' surprise the 'file' proves to be a mop, 'file' being old Dutch for any bit of cloth used for cleaning, from a wench cloth to a floor cloth.

"Another evidence of descent is the use made of water. The old houses were invariably located where advantage might be taken of a running stream, no matter how small. At a point near the kitchen door this was dammed, a water wheel inserted, and power obtained for the churn or turnspit. To-day this power equals a motor for running an ice-cream freezer, a sewing machine, an egg beater or a coffee mill."

WHAT SHE WAS WAITING FOR

Flat Dweller's Passing On of Discomfort She Endured Made Method Behind It.

The flat dweller hardly recognized the janitor, he was so polite, so modest, so self-effacing, as it were, as he stood at the door, his hat in his hand.

"Is your kitchen still leaking?" he asked her softly.

"Still leaking?" she replied with scorn. It has been leaking a year, ever since she moved up-stairs.

"May I come in and look at it?" still more softly asked the janitor.

She opened the door wide. He entered. He stood in the kitchen, looking up at the ceiling, at several holes through which the water came pattering, at the disgusting splashes made by the leaks that had been leaking a year.

"It does leak, doesn't it?" he queried.

It was too much. The flat dweller went to washing her breakfast dishes left over in the sink.

"Would you like a large tub?" asked the janitor presently, when he observed that some of the leaks splashed on the floor. "Because the water is going into the next floor and spoiling the ceiling there."

"No, I thank you," answered the flat dweller politely, still at her dishes. "I am leaving it like that purposely. I've stood it a year. If the people below have to stand it for another year maybe they'll make you mend the roof."

Misplaced

A young mother has just been deeply shocked as the result of her attempted religious instruction to her five-year-old daughter. The vehicle selected as her favorite illustration in these teachings was a picture of the "Madonna and Child" in the library wall. What she actually succeeded in fixing in the youngster's brain was that the supreme being whose picture hung before them was strictly a resident of churches and ever to be spoken of with bated breath.

So much accomplished, the child was taken on a shopping expedition. Scarcely were they across the threshold before the young mother was brought to a crimson-faced standstill by her little daughter's horrified whisper: "Oh, mamma!" as she pointed to a counter full of pictures. "What is God doing in the ten-cent store?"

No Cheap Resorts Near Paris

It is a remarkable thing, but in the near neighborhood of Paris there are but very few places where one can go and spend a cheap holiday, and take one's family. For one thing, milk is always difficult to get in country places; it is all sent to the nearest town or the ground is cultivated. Pasture land is rare in France, and milk is dear. The same with the fruit and vegetables—they all go away to the towns. Apropos of this, there is a butcher in Barbizon who enjoys a unique position. He is the only one within five or six miles, and if you grumble at him, he says, "The tramway leaves in two hours; see if you can get better in the next town—or try the forest, if my meat doesn't please you!"

Would Have Astonished Fulton

It costs about a cent and a half a pound to ship American merchandise from New York to Trebizond, an out-of-the-way port on the Black sea, 5,000 miles, or thereabouts, from the United States. Then it costs 15 cents a pound to carry the same freight by caravan, from Trebizond to Tahriz, the chief commercial center of Persia, a distance of 600 miles. Fulton never realized how much his invention was destined to heat camels and horses in cheap transportation.

Weeding Out the Dead Material

"We talk about weeding the sort of the drama in our town."

"Indeed?"

"Sure. Some day we are going to herd all of our moribund ones together and have a good bonfire."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

THE MODERN GIRL AT HOME

Dainty and Pretty, and All That, But Their Ways Would Shock Their Grandmothers.

The two girls had written, asking the woman to tea. They wanted to meet her, to see how she looked and behaved, for some reason or other. When she arrived she found a beautiful studio furnished in exquisite style, for one of the girls was an interior decorator. She found the two girls of much daintiness and prettiness, and exceedingly modest and lovely, so much so that she was half afraid to breathe in their presence, afraid she might say or do something to shock them, having lived for some years in a Bohemian set. She drank the tea they gave her and talked on different topics which she thought would interest young girls. Finally one of the girls, pointing to a cigarette such in an ash tray on the window sill, said apologetically:

"I suppose that shocks you awfully, doesn't it? It belongs to Stella. She will smoke now and then."

The woman took heart. "It doesn't shock me so very much," said she. "I'd like one."

Stella hastened to find the box of cigarettes.

"That was why I left home," she said. "My father told me I had either to leave home or quit smoking."

The other girl, in the beautiful and dainty white lawn, with small pin-roses in it, arose and going to the drawer of her desk brought out a box. She opened it and took out a small, perfumed cigar.

"These," said she, "suit me better. Cigarettes are too mild."

UNCERTAIN WHAT WAS WRONG

Nervous Man Worried Whether the Clock's Works or His Own Required Attention.

A nervous little man stepped briskly into a jewelry store with a medium-sized clock under his wing. He placed the chronometer on the counter, turned the hands around to about 12 o'clock, and told the expert behind the counter to listen.

"It keeps perfect time," the customer said, "but I want to find out if you notice anything wrong with the way it strikes."

The jeweler listened. "There's nothing wrong," he replied with a grin, after the clock had struck, "except that she strikes thirteen instead of twelve. That can easily be remedied."

The customer looked as relieved as if he'd just awakened from a bad dream.

"That's just what I've always thought ever since we've had the clock," he burst forth. "I've always felt sure it struck thirteen. But no one else in the family ever spoke of it, and I was afraid to say anything about it for fear there was something wrong with my own works. Well, it's worth the price of having the thing repaired just to find out I was right."

"Bread" and "Pigeon" Seed

School children in the crowded parts of New York do not speak of corn and oats and wheat by their names, but always refer to them as "seeds." The other day in one of the big schools the teacher was talking to her pupils about gardening. She ended with a request for each pupil to bring a few seeds the next day to be planted in the window boxes. The following morning the children appeared mostly with either oats, wheat or corn. While putting a few grains of each in the earth the teacher referred to them by their familiar names. One of the girls in the class took courage to "set the teacher right" and said: "Some one must have told you wrong, teacher. That's pointing to the wheat. 'Is bread seed, an' 'Cat yellow stuff ain't corn; it's pigeon seed. We always call them that in the block where we live."

The Blot on His Past

"Haven't you anything to confess to me before it is too late?" she asked. "Remember that it will be much better for us to part even now than it will be after to-morrow. Think, isn't there in your past something that you have hidden from me? Don't be afraid to confess it. I will forgive you if it is not too terrible, and then we can begin our married life with no shadow to darken the pathway before us."

"Well, Bessie," he replied, as he avoided looking into her eyes, "there is something. I am going to throw myself upon your mercy. Don't judge me too severely. Have pity. I once loved on a stamp flirtation with a girl for two months."

Unfortunate New Yorkers

In New York we have become accustomed to eating the strange products of the cold storage vaults that the fresh foods of our childhood would probably seem unpalatable. The diner accustomed to the tasteless chicken of our hotels, restaurants, a real full-blooded broiler within the current year, would taste "strong" and obnoxious as a savory. Similarly, a really fresh egg, neither fried nor partially hatched, might seem to our sophisticated palates to possess too many of the attributes of the lagoon. —New York Evening Sun.

Willing to Say Good-By

"I pay as I go," declared the loud-mouthed person.

"No doubt you do," answered the quiet man, "but I'd rather see the style of your departure than the color of your merriness."

TERMS USED IN WALL STREET

Up-to-Date Meaning of Investment, Margin Trading, Gambling and Sure Thing.

If a man buys \$10,000 worth of bonds, pays the money for them, locks them up in his safe-deposit box and waits for the interest, that is making an investment, says Lippincott's Magazine.

If he orders \$10,000 worth of bonds bought for his account, puts up \$1,000 as collateral and then sits around for the bonds to go up, that is trading on a margin.

If he meets a pretty girl, falls in love with her, finds out that she has \$1,000,000 in her own right, gets witnesses to prove that she has a fine disposition and is a good housekeeper; in short, gathers all the evidence beforehand that she will make an ideal wife, why, that is gambling.

If he enters politics from disinterested motives, sees a rotten condition, makes up his mind to reform it, makes no compromises with anybody, stands on his merit, fights an honest fight, wins, puts his reform through and then sits around and waits to see if it become a permanent one—that's speculation.

If he marries a poor girl and she dies and leaves him with four children, and he marries another poor girl and she dies and leaves him with four children, and he marries another poor girl and she dies and leaves him with four children, and then the children grow up and he calls them together in his old age and says: "Don't worry, boys and girls! When I was young I was cute enough to save up some cash so that I could take care of myself all right without calling on you. Now, I don't need any of you, so you can all run right along and be good"—that's a sure thing.

NO CHANCE FOR HIM TO REST

Overworked Farm Servant Wouldn't Believe in the Possibility, Even in Heaven.

Not long since, in a village in the north of Scotland, the parish minister meeting a farm servant who is a member of his flock, the following conversation ensued:

Parish Minister—Well, John, and how are things doing with you? I hope you are keeping well.

Farm Servant—Heck, sir, it's hard work I have to do; has rest from morn till night; work an' work an' no minute's peace for me.

Parish Minister—Well, John, we must all do our share in the work of this world. Remember, it is only the preparation for a better world, where there will be no more work to be done.

Farm Servant—Well, sir, that may be for the likes o' you; but I'm no sae sure that there will be naething for me to do in the other world. It will be the same thing there, and I'll be told, John, when the sun, John, hang out the moon; John, light the stars; and so on. I've nae doubt they'll find something for me to do, unlucky man that I am.

The Child as an Asset

There is undoubtedly a very grave problem connected with the birth rate. The church in past times furnished a religious motive for large families, and this tended to counteract the natural tendency of the birth rate to decline from economic causes as the period of infancy came to be prolonged in an advancing civilization, says a writer in the Springfield (Mass.) Republican. If the religious motive be destroyed, the economic forces making for fewer children must enjoy free scope, and as the cost of living rises and the financial burden of rearing and educating children through a long series of years becomes heavier for the average parent to bear the score over race suicide is likely to be the more pronounced. Making the child, however, once more a pecuniary asset of the parents at a tender age would be suicidal to civilization itself.

To Drive Dull Care Away

What! dull, when you do not know what gives its loveliness of form to the lily, its depth of color to the violet, its fragrance to the rose; when you do not know in what consists the venom of the adder, any more than you can imitate the glad movements of the dove. What! dull, when earth, air and water are all alike mysterious to you, and when as you stretch out your hand you do not touch anything the properties of which you have mastered; while all the time nature is inviting you to talk earnestly with her, to subdue her and to be blessed by her! Go away, man; learn something, do something, understand something, and let me hear no more of your dullness!—Sir Arthur Helps.

Such a Mean Trick

"Come home with me to dinner to-night, Gormley."

"Delighted!"

"I want you to hear my youngest daughter play the piano."

"By Jove, I'm awfully sorry, old chap, but I have forgotten a most important engagement. Some other night, dear boy."

"Sorry about the engagement, Gormley. The fact is I have neither a youngest daughter nor a piano."

Hard Lines

"I could perfect my machine if I could get anybody to believe in me."

"You are undoubtedly a genius."

"That's just the trouble. Everybody thinks it isn't safe to trust a genius with money."

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